

# Recent STEHM High-Resolution Performance and Future Applications

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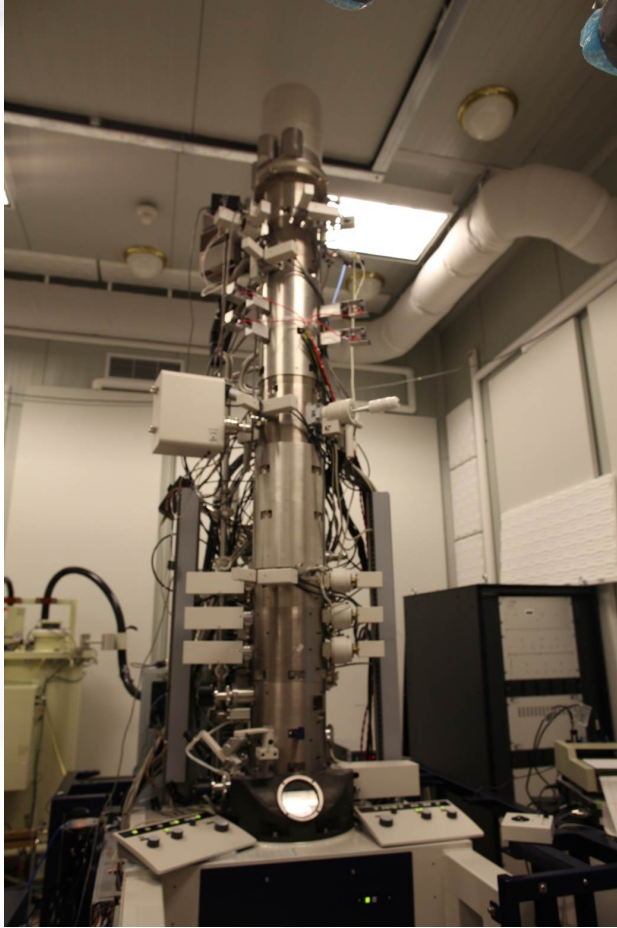
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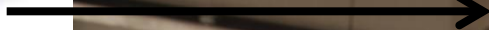
## Three presentations

- **Structure of the STEHM plus recent performance and possible applications**
- **Special features of STEHM plus possible applications**
- **Cost of STEHM**

# The STEHM



**Electron Gun**



**Objective lenses  
+  
Specimen**



**Probe Forming  
Lenses**



**Aplanatic  
Imaging Lenses**

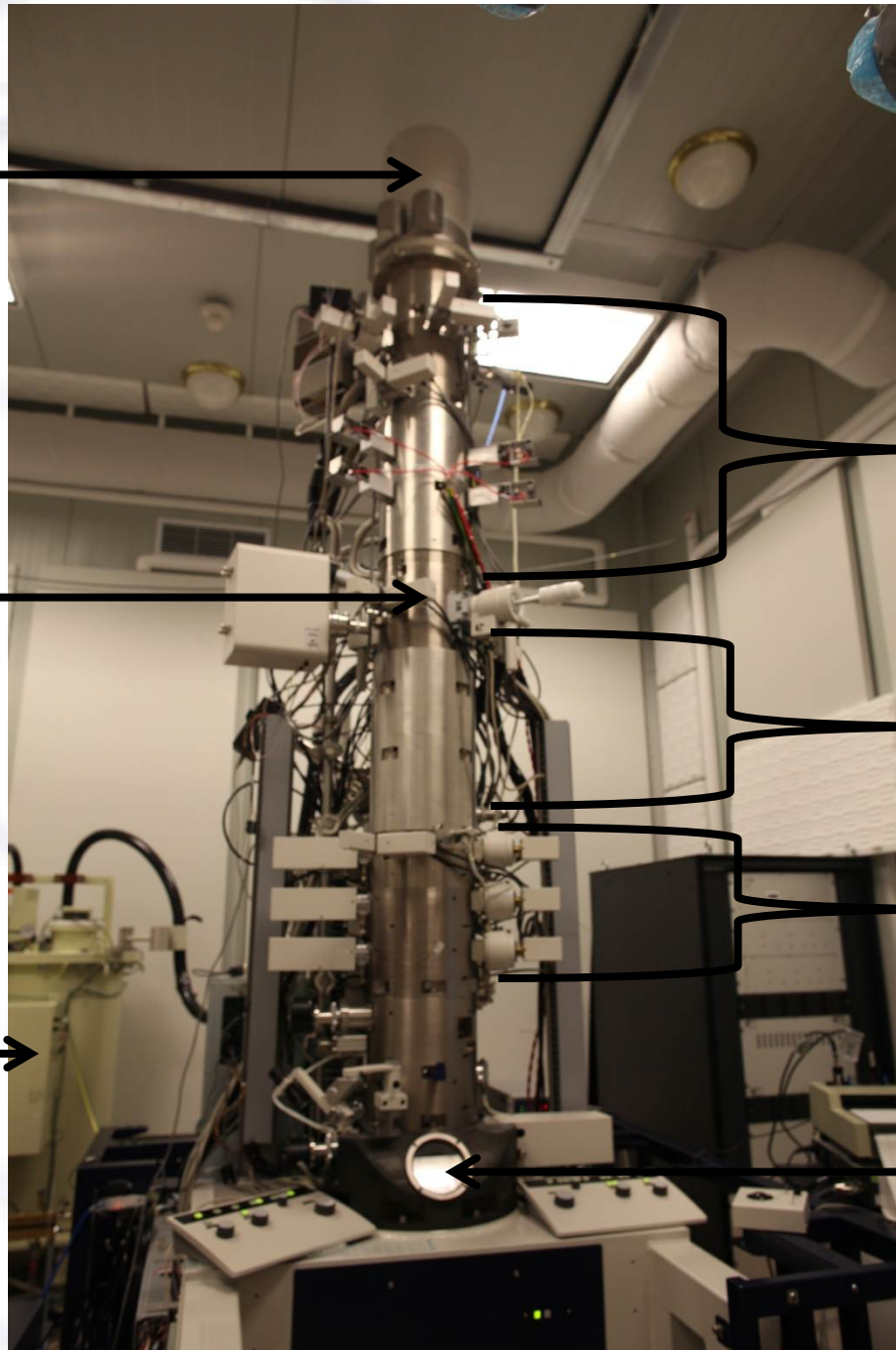


**Electron  
Biprisms**

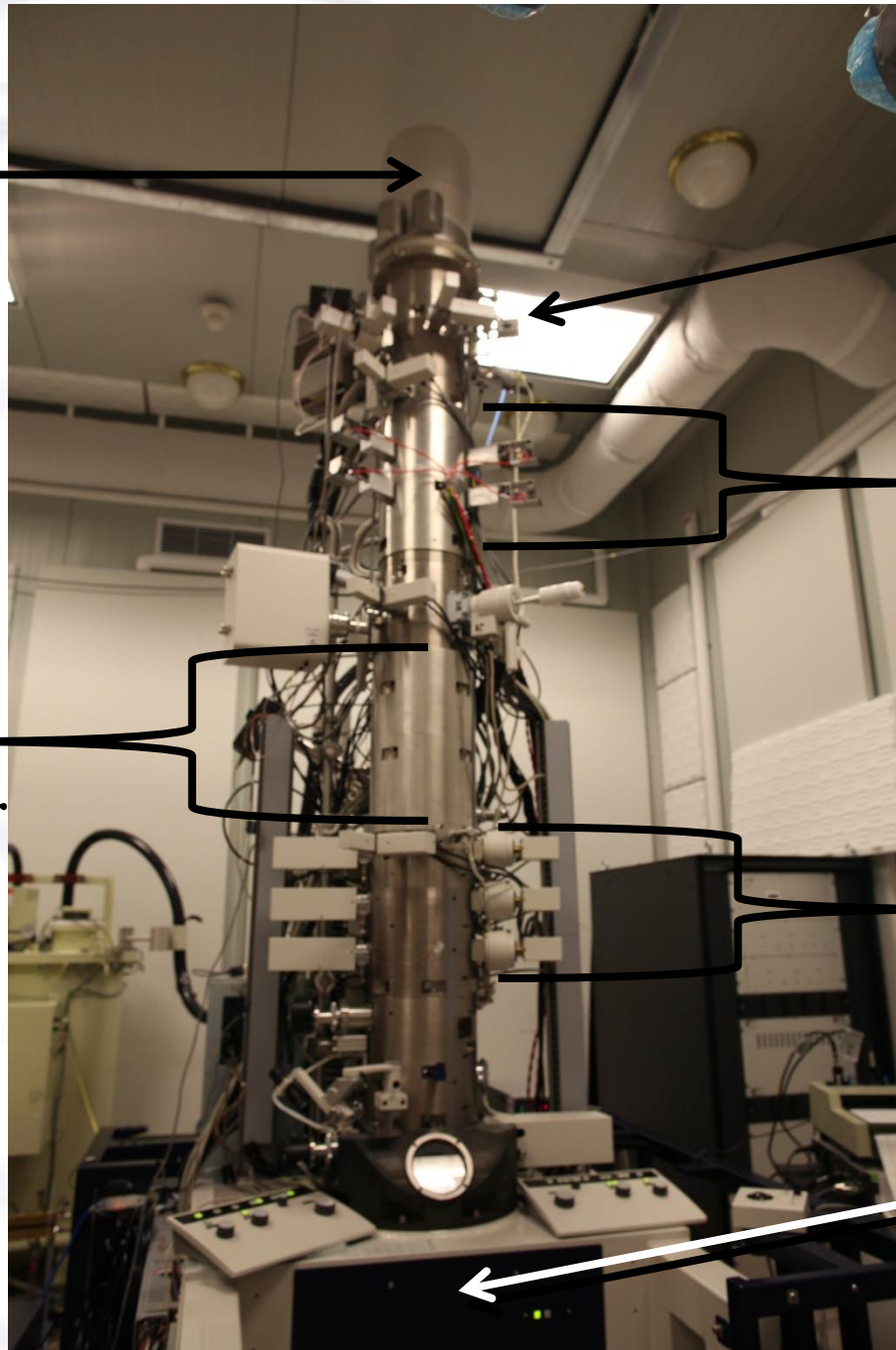


**Viewing  
Screen**

**High Voltage  
Tank  
(300,000 to  
60,000 Volts)**



**Cold-field  
Electron Source  
( $10^{-13}$  torr)**



**1 electron biprism  
+  
dislocated  
hologram aperture**

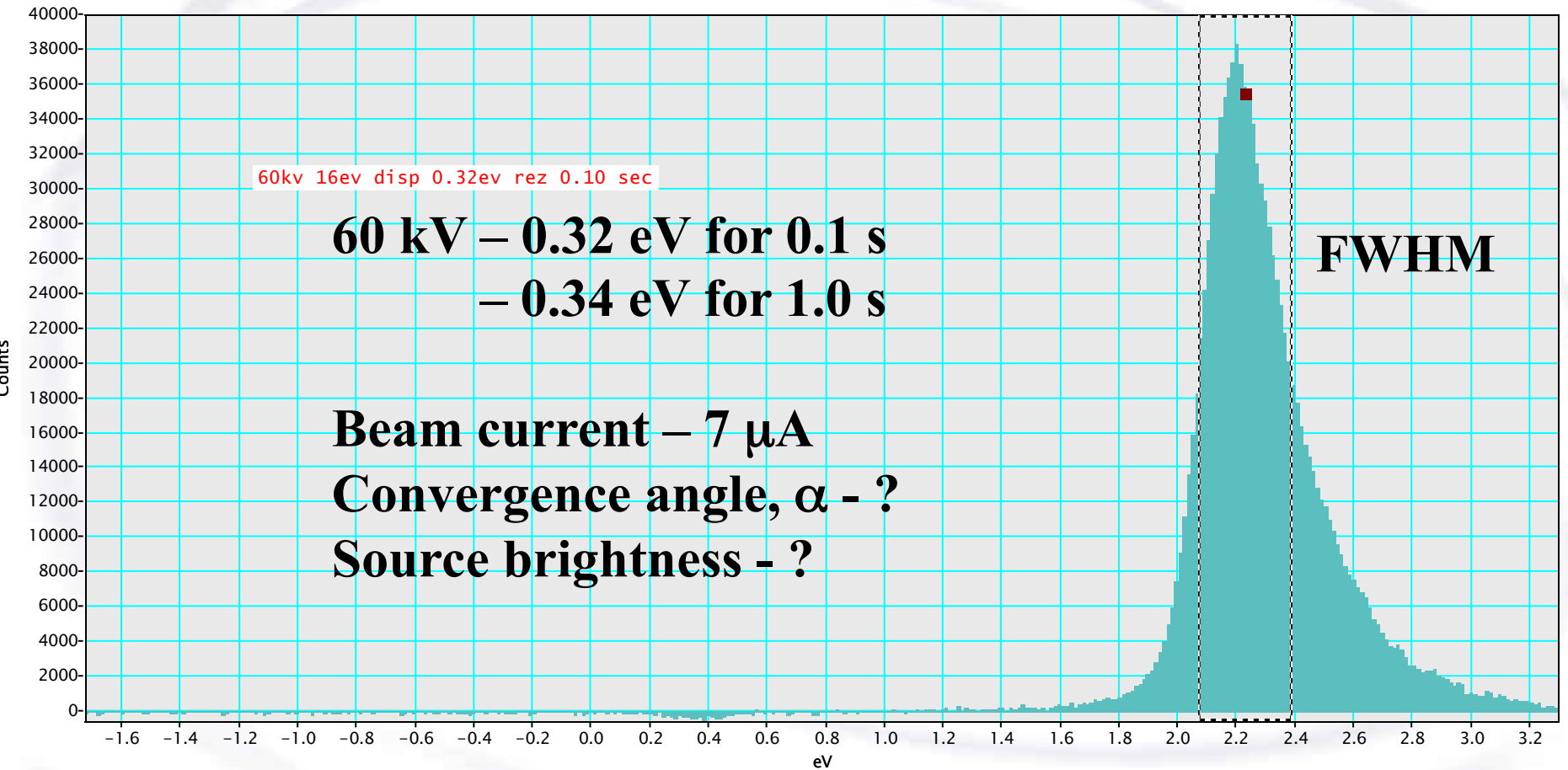
**STEM  
Cs + Cc aberration  
corrector  
(ExB Wien filter)  
(CEOS SC-COR)**

**3 electron  
biprisms  
+  
extra lenses**

**EELS  
+  
GIF**

**Aplanatic TEM  
Cs + Coma  
aberration corrector  
(CEOS B-COR)**

# The STEHM's Energy Spread

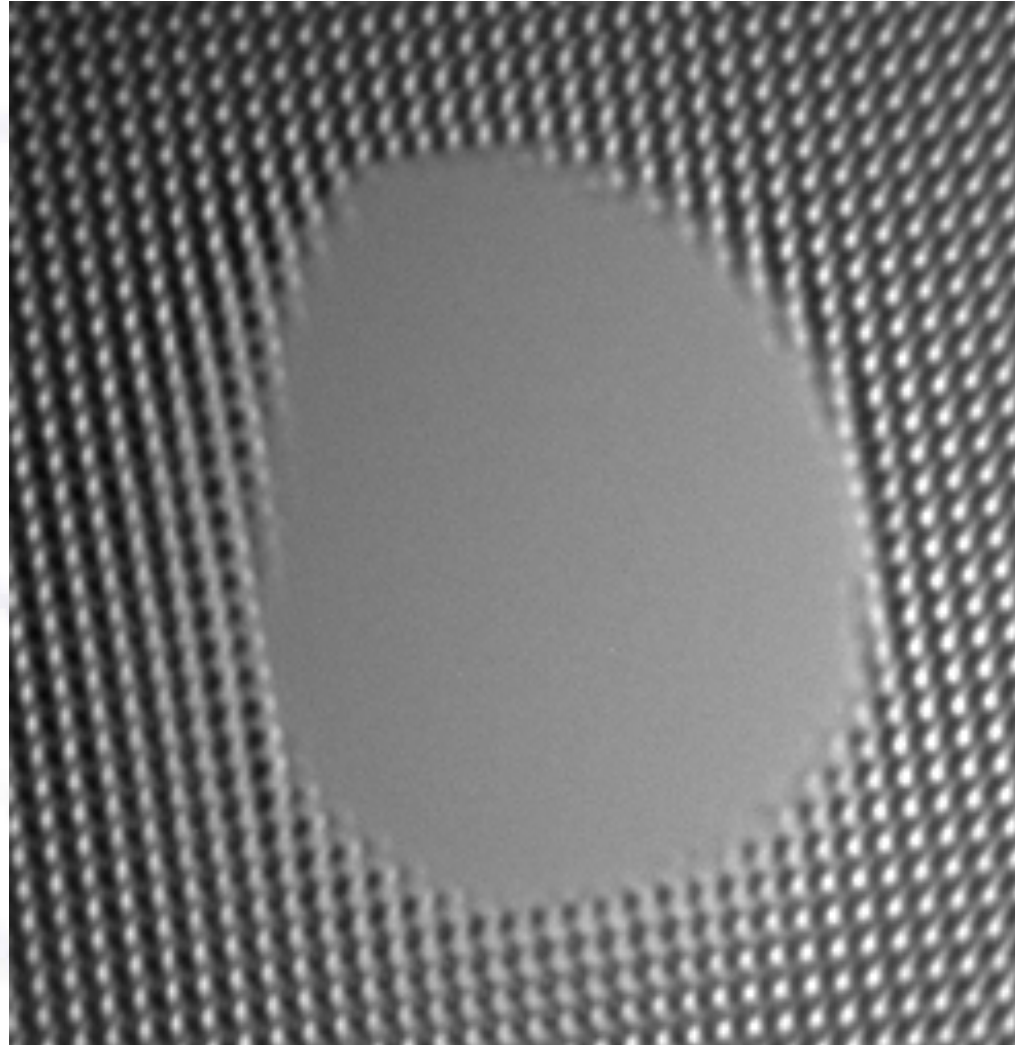


**Maximum emission stable for hours – high emission for days.**  
**Performance needs to be measured. Will be reported later.**  
**The energy spread will improve with age as the tip flattens.**

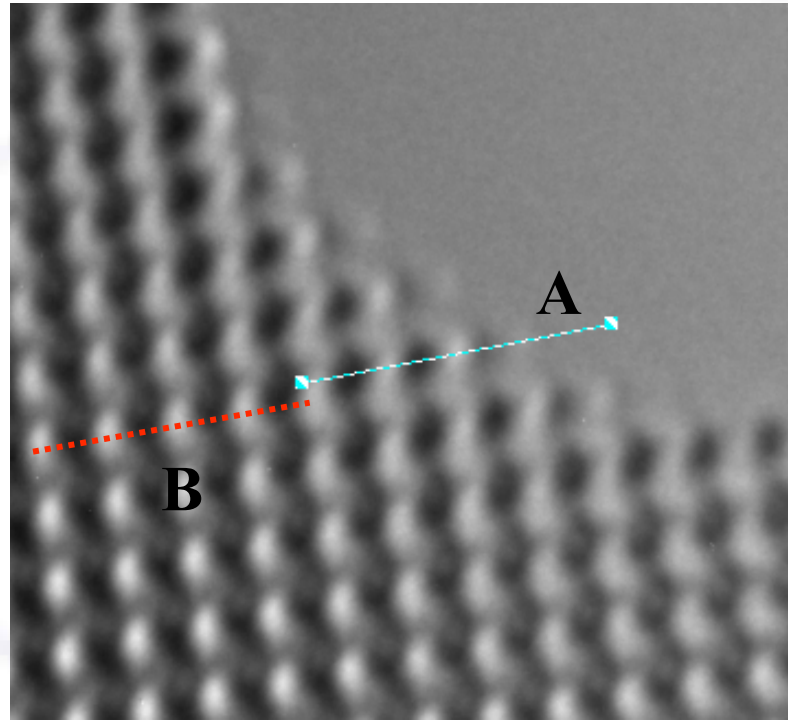
# STEHM' s TEM

**Au lattice image**

**TEM specimen  
made insitu by  
specimen  
ablation by  
electron beam**



# TEM Imaging at Edge of Specimen



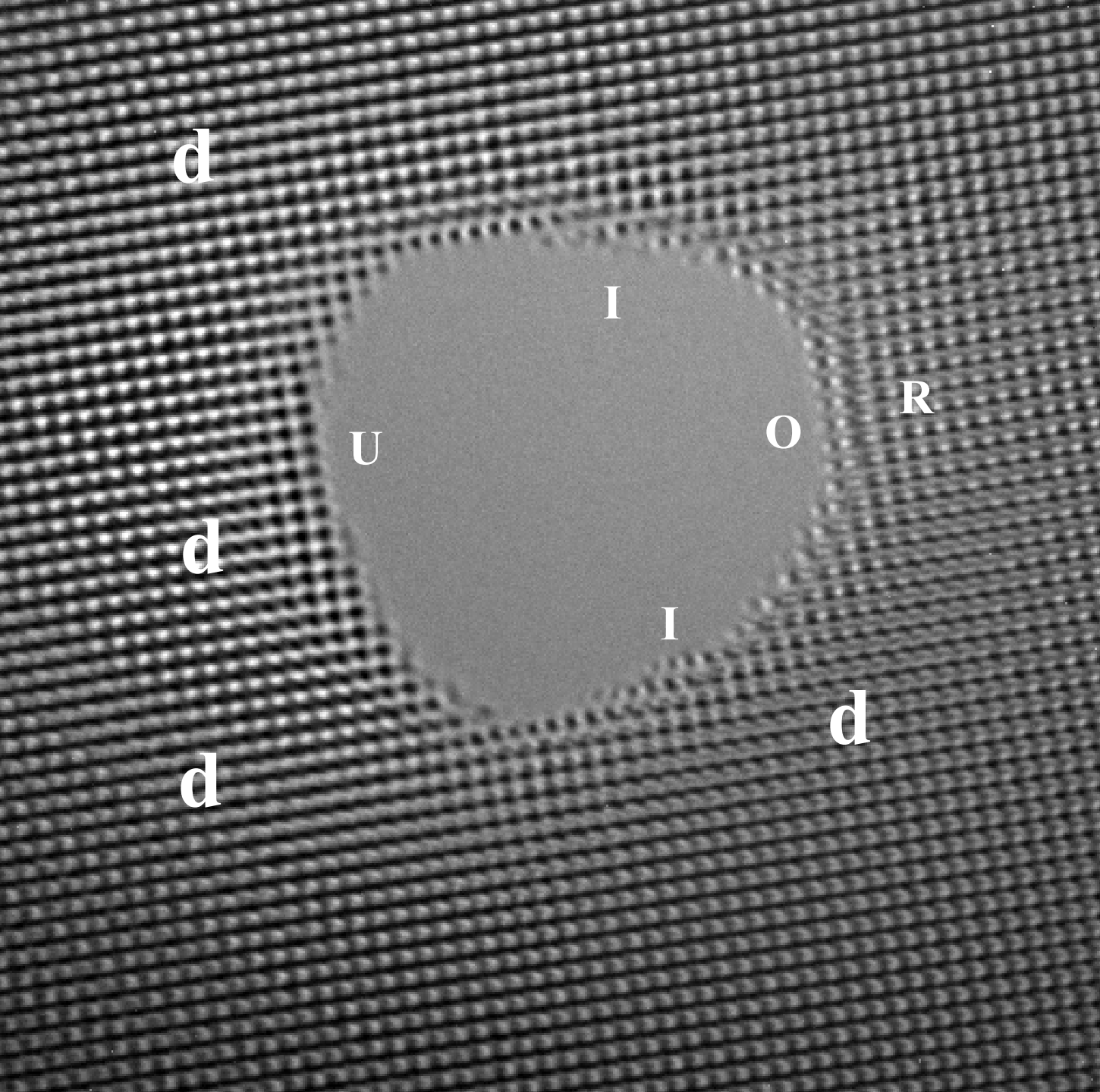
Note the change in channeling of the electrons from passing around the atoms (**dark contrast**) to along the atomic core (**white contrast**)

- A – electrons traveling around the outside of atomic column
- B – electrons traveling along core of atomic column

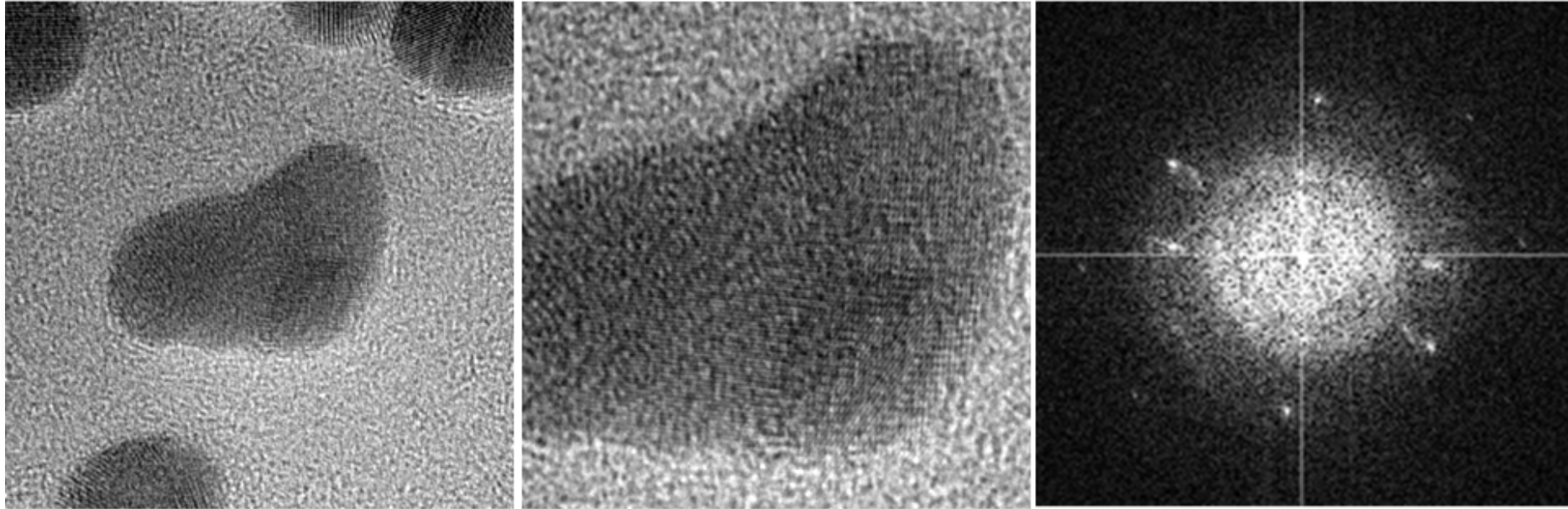


# STEHM's TEM Image

Au lattice image showing dynamic imaging contrast, d, under focus, U, over focus, O, exactly infocus, I, atomic plane relaxation, R.

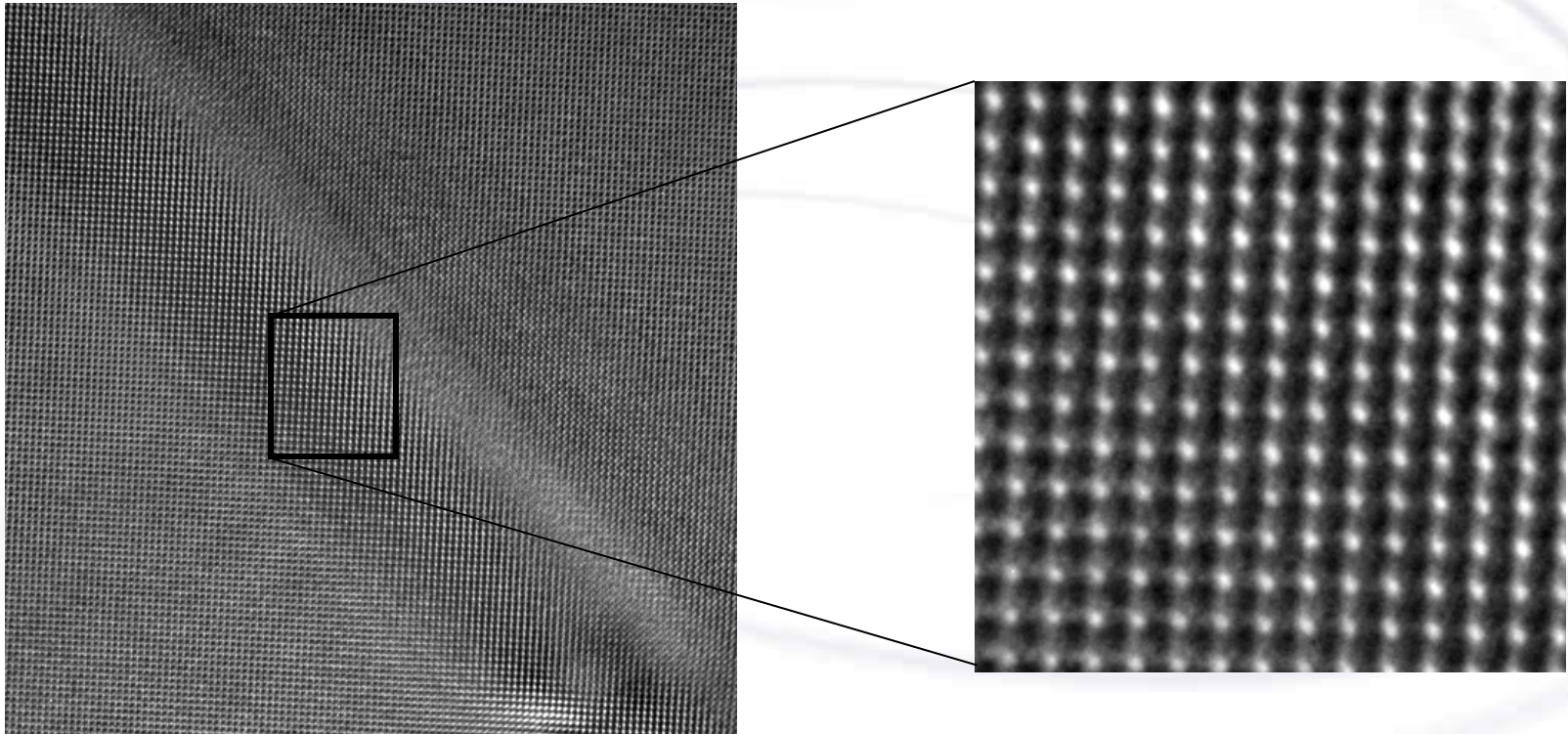


# Ultra-stable STEHM Imaging



TEM image of gold crystals on an amorphous carbon substrate taken for **120 seconds**, the maximum recording time available, using the Gatan USC 1004 2k x 2k camera, b) enlargement of the centrally located gold crystal to more easily see the presence of lattice fringes, verified in c) the Fourier transform. **Useful for low-dose, beam-sensitive specimen such as biology and soft specimen.**

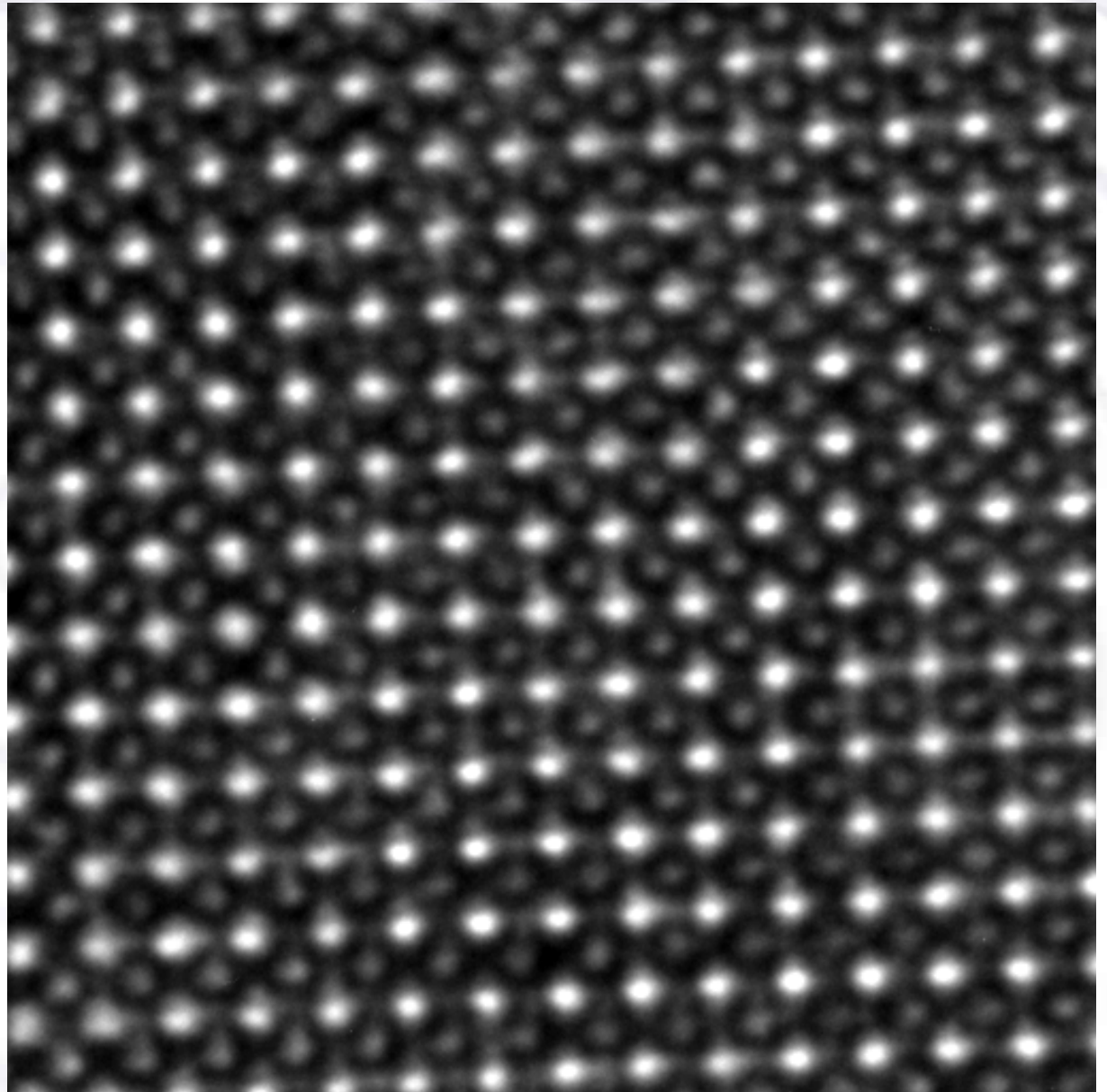
# STEHM's TEM Au Lattice Imaging



**Atomic core imaging condition**

**STEHM imaging  
Of  
BaTiO<sub>3</sub>**

**Atomic core  
imaging**



# Before arriving at UVic

STEHM's

TEM

Coherent  
Information  
Transfer

measured by  
Fourier  
Transform

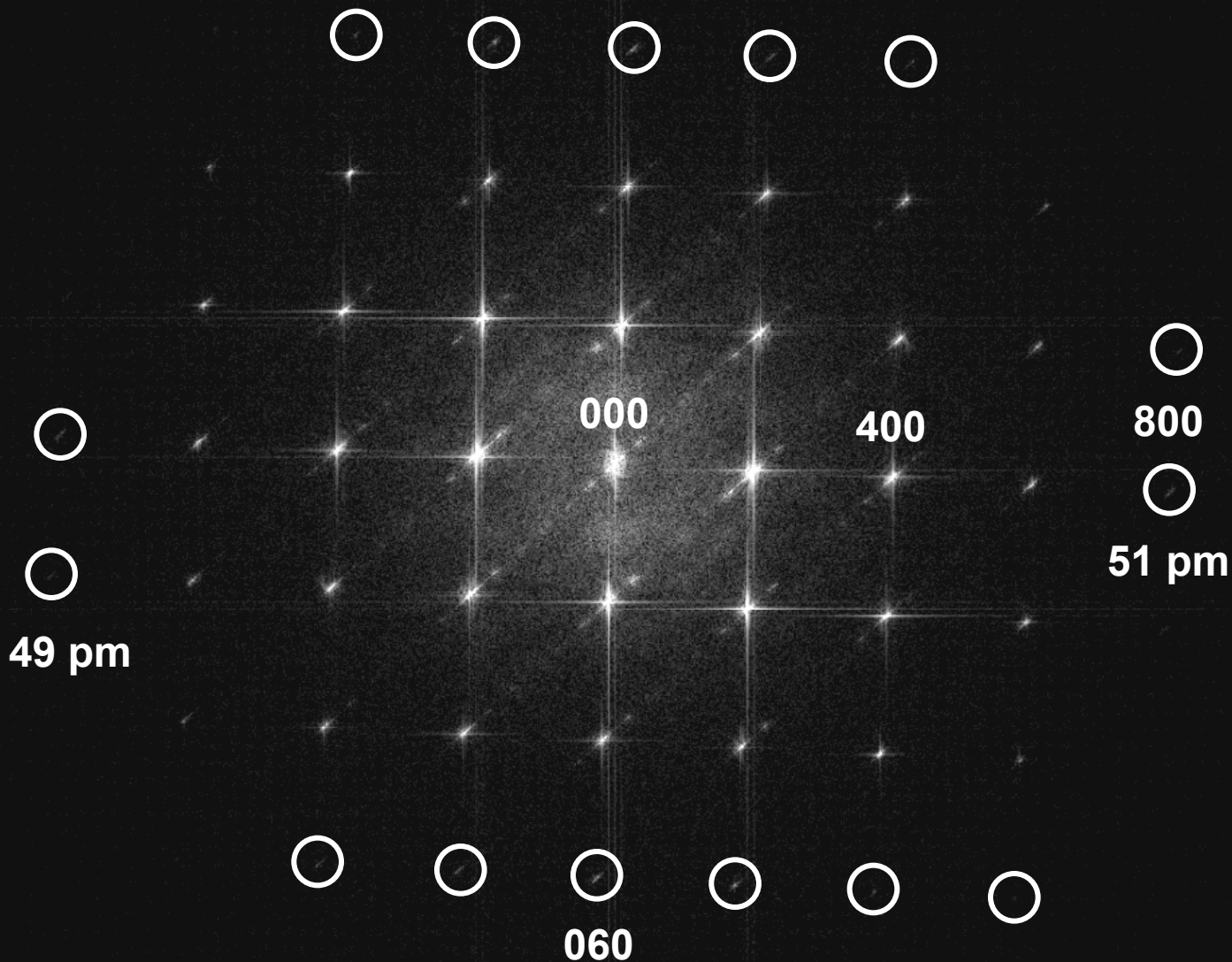
Lattice Parameter  
of Au

$$a_o = 4.08 \text{ \AA}$$

using

[010]

zone axis



**STEHM's  
TEM**

**Coherent  
Information  
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**measured by  
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**Lattice Parameter  
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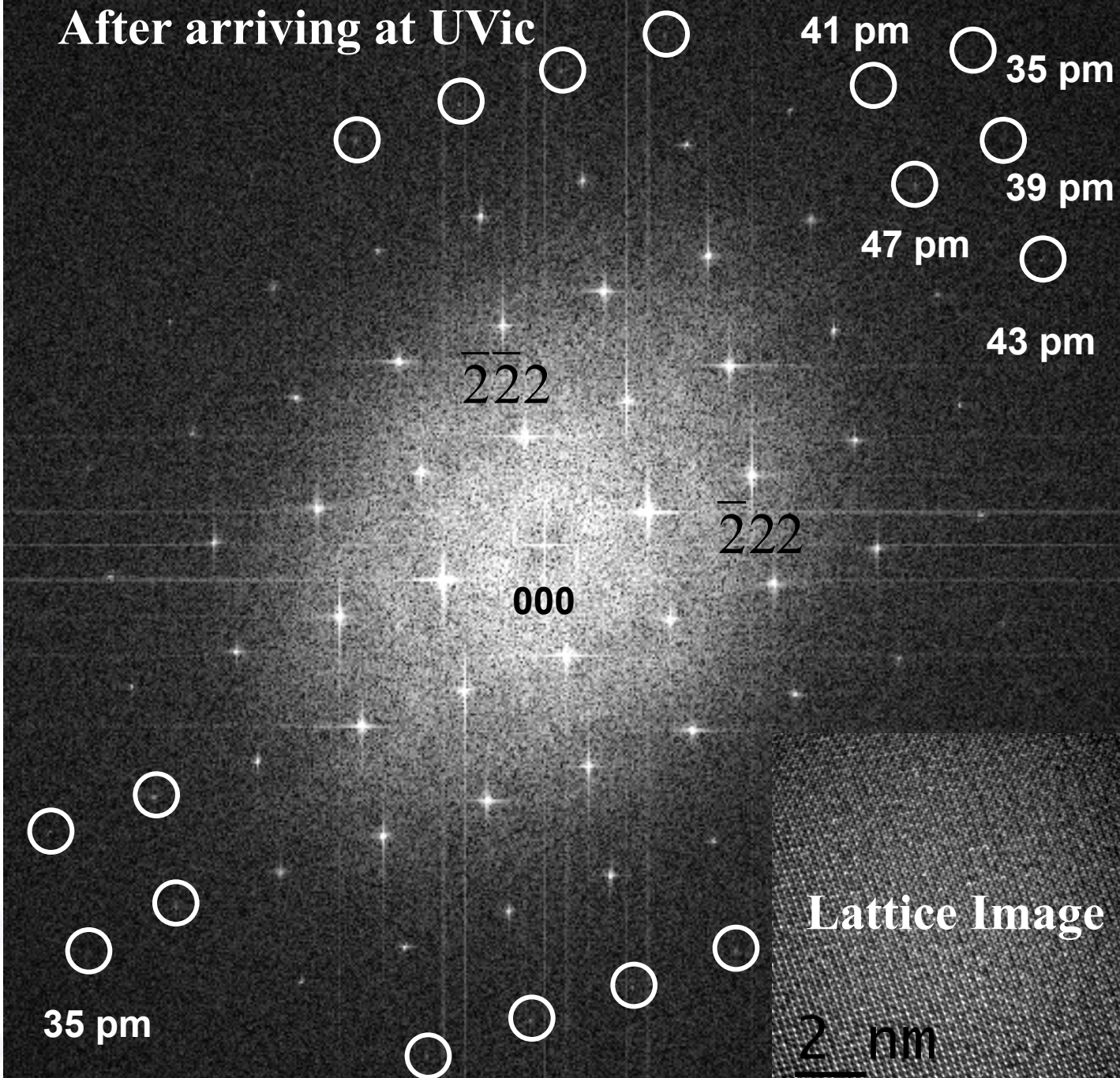
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**using**

**[101]**

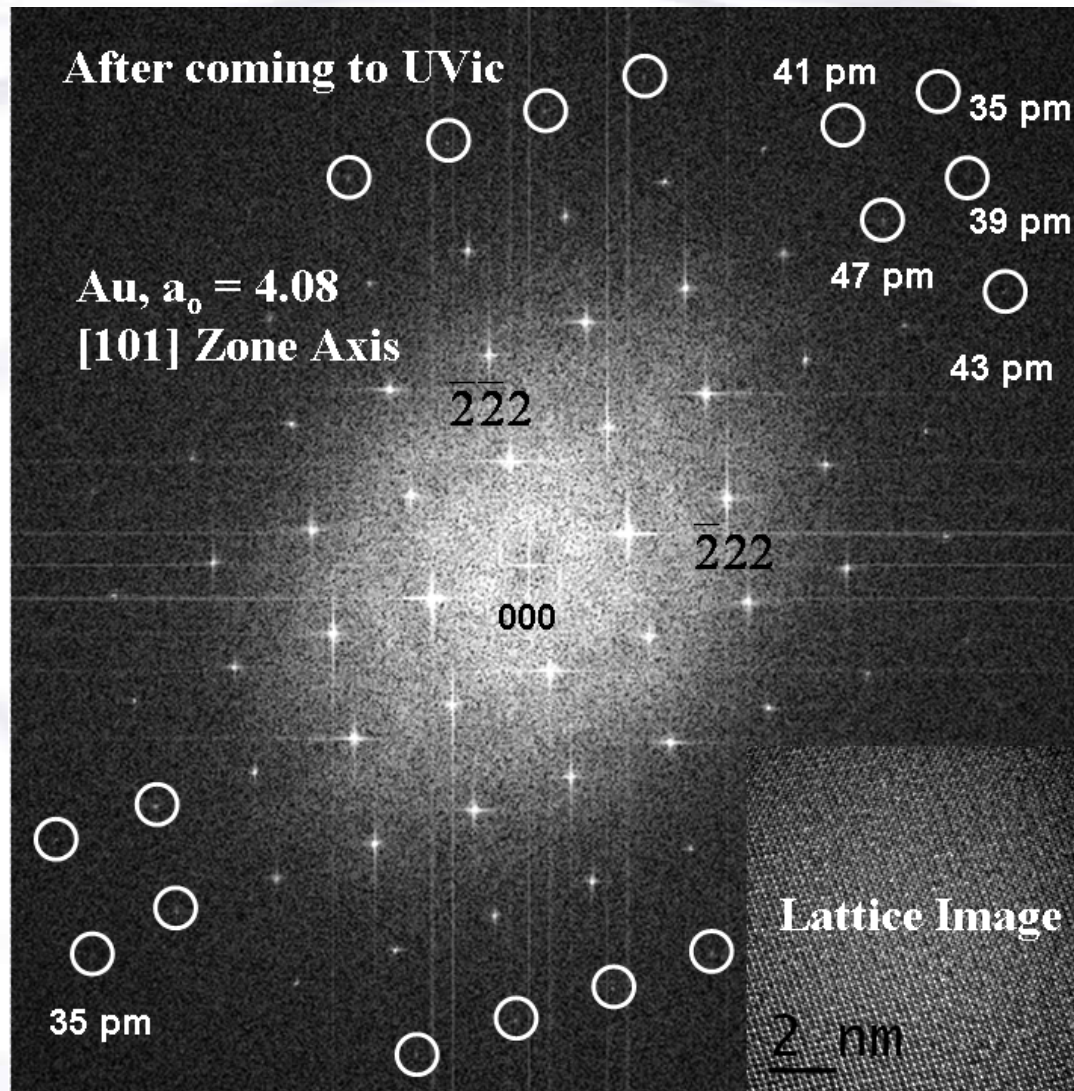
**zone axis**

**After arriving at UVic**



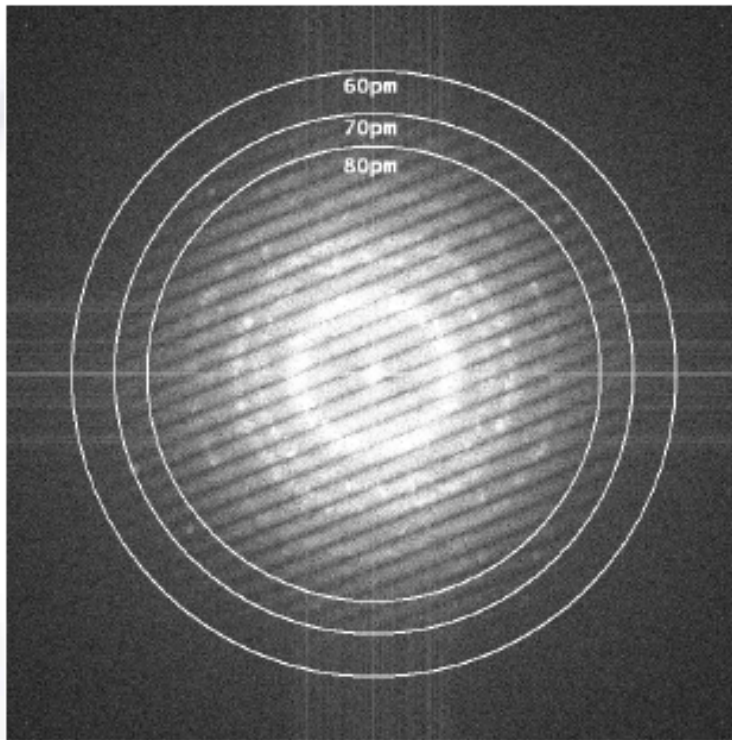
**Lattice Image**

**2 nm**

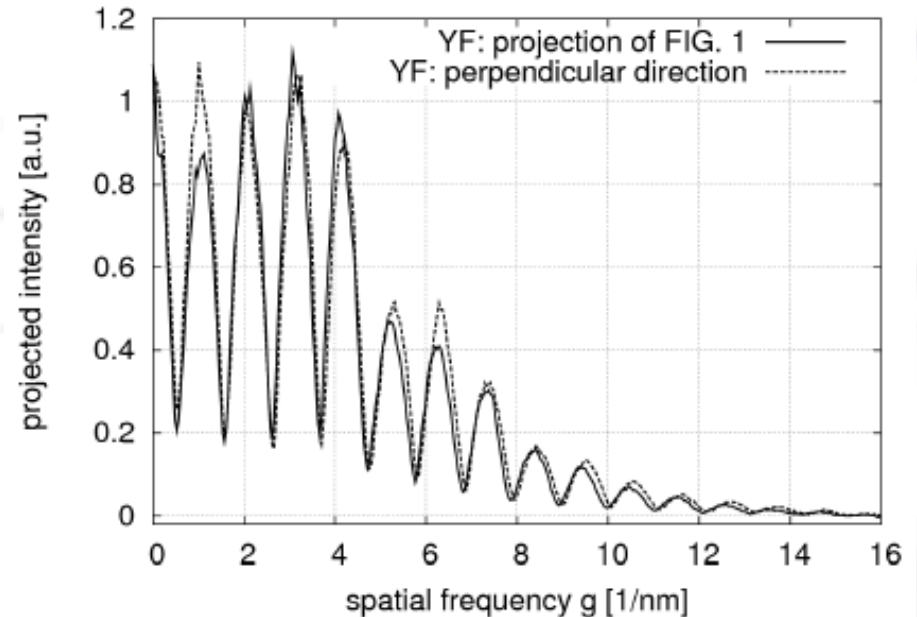


**Problem** – Dynamic diffraction (coherent information transfer) and the intensity decreases with scattering angle

# Young Fringe Measurement of STEHM's Specimen Information Transfer



Young's fringe pattern from tungsten specimen recorded at 300 kV for 4s using STEHM image having Nyquist frequency of  $38.3 \text{ nm}^{-1}$ .



Projected fringe contrast for two perpendicular directions from the Young's fringe pattern.

**Problem - Intensity decreases with scattering angle – improved measurement possible using DBI of amorphous materials**

H. Müller et al., Nuclear Inst. and Methods in Physics Research A V645 (2011) 20.

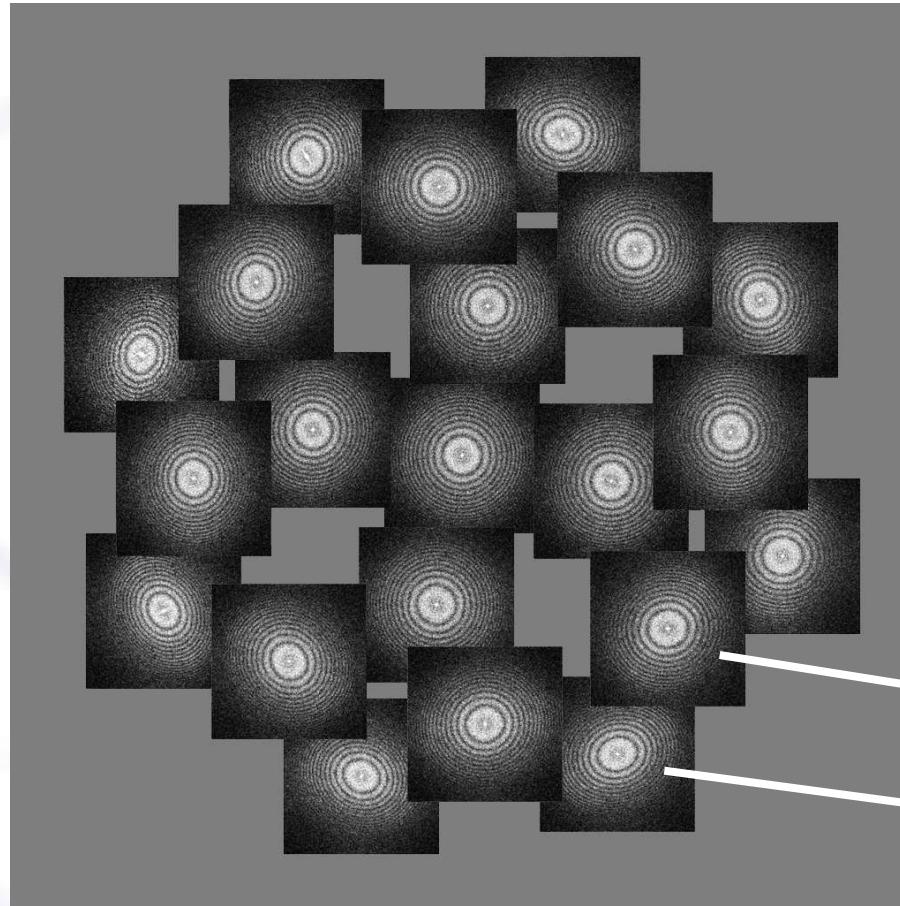


# STEHM' s Aplanatic TEM

(Correction of Spherical and Coma Aberrations)

Necessary for determining coherence properties of quasiparticles

- phonons
- plasmons
- magnons
- etc.



Increases HR imaging field of view from 100 nm to 1 mm.

45 mrad

60 mrad

Tilt tableau with an **outer tilt angle of 60mrad**. The individual positions of the 21 diffractograms corresponds to the position of the illumination tilt.

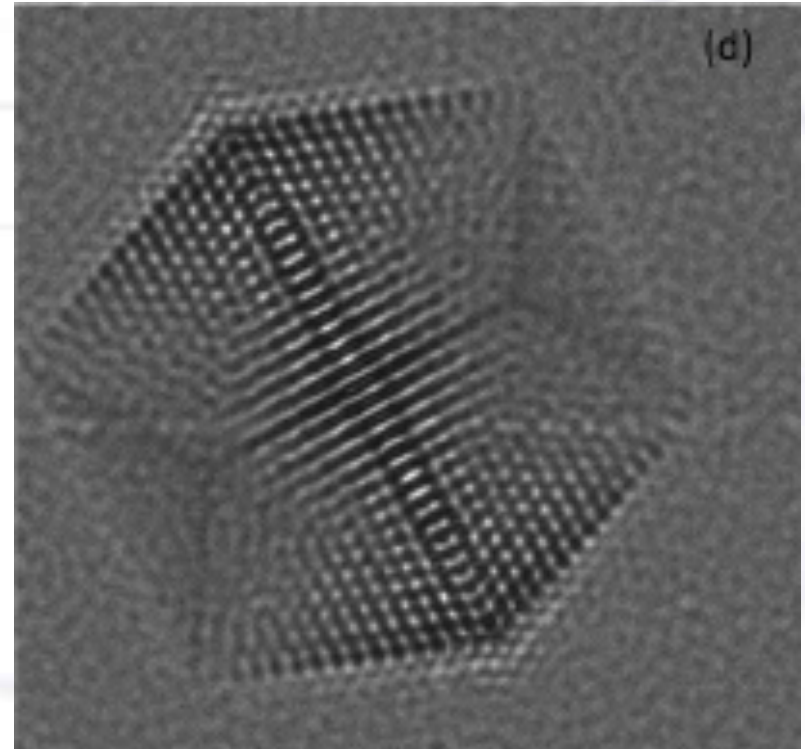
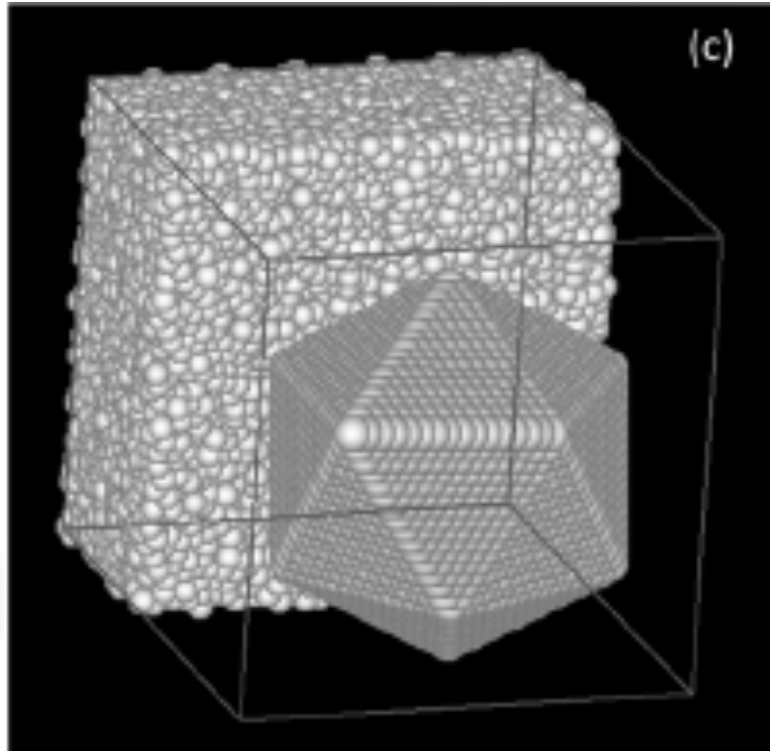
# Electron Holography

Visualizing the “unseen” world.

**Possible to see at the atomic scale:**

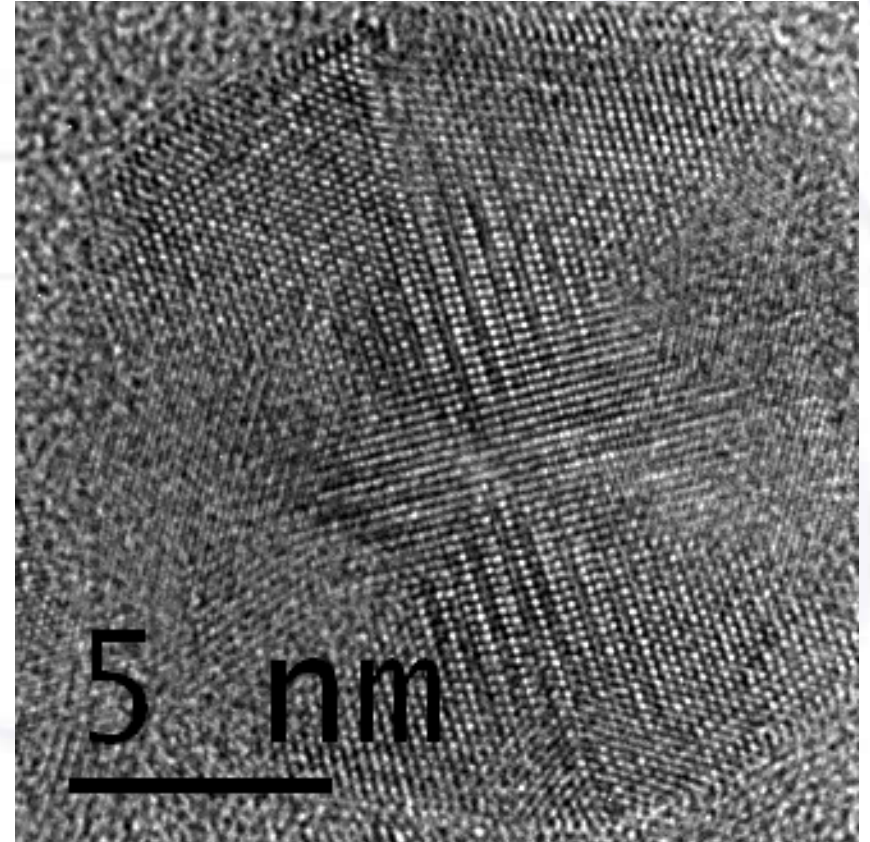
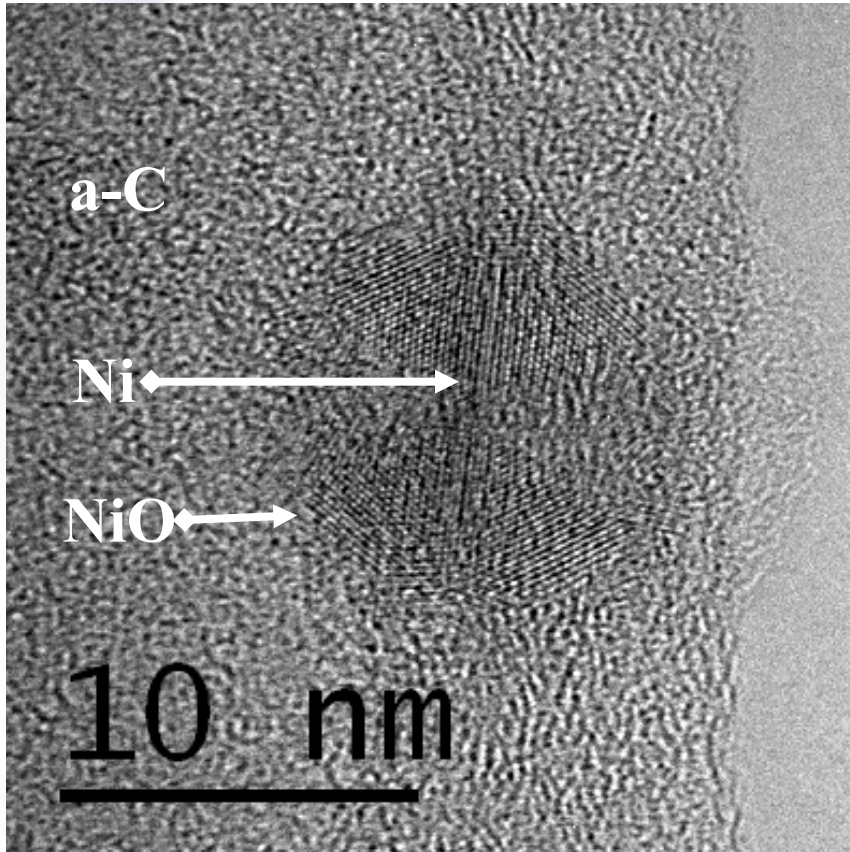
- magnetic fields
- electrostatic fields
- strain fields
- temperature
- composition
- identify type and number of atoms in lattice image

# STEHM' s Images of Core Shell Ni/NiO Nanoparticles



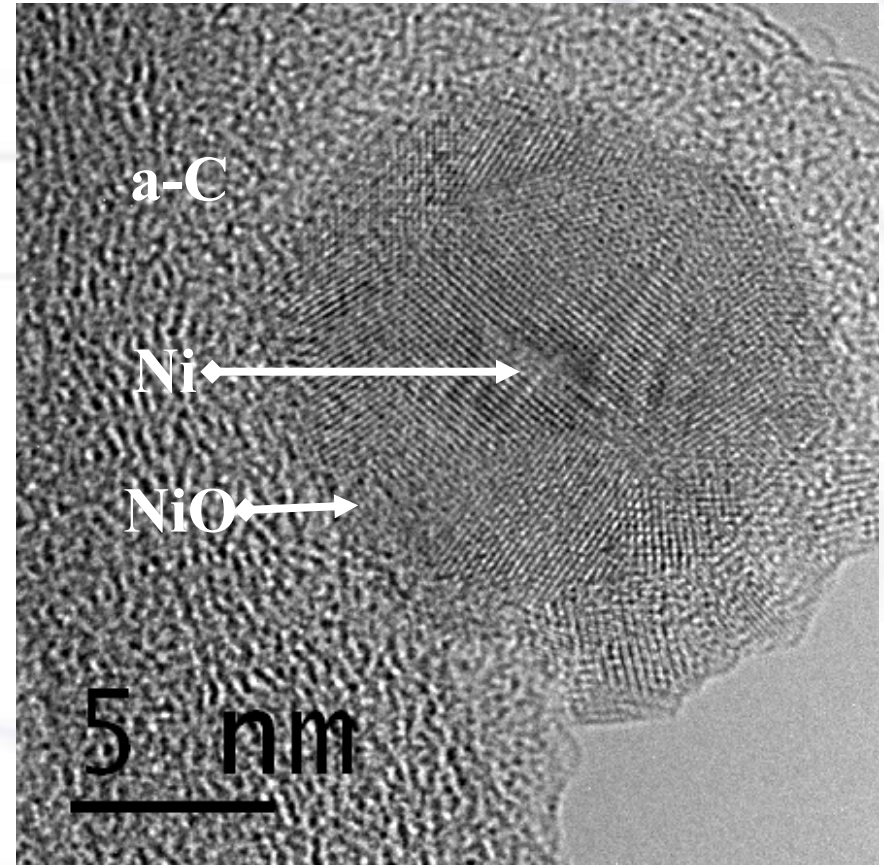
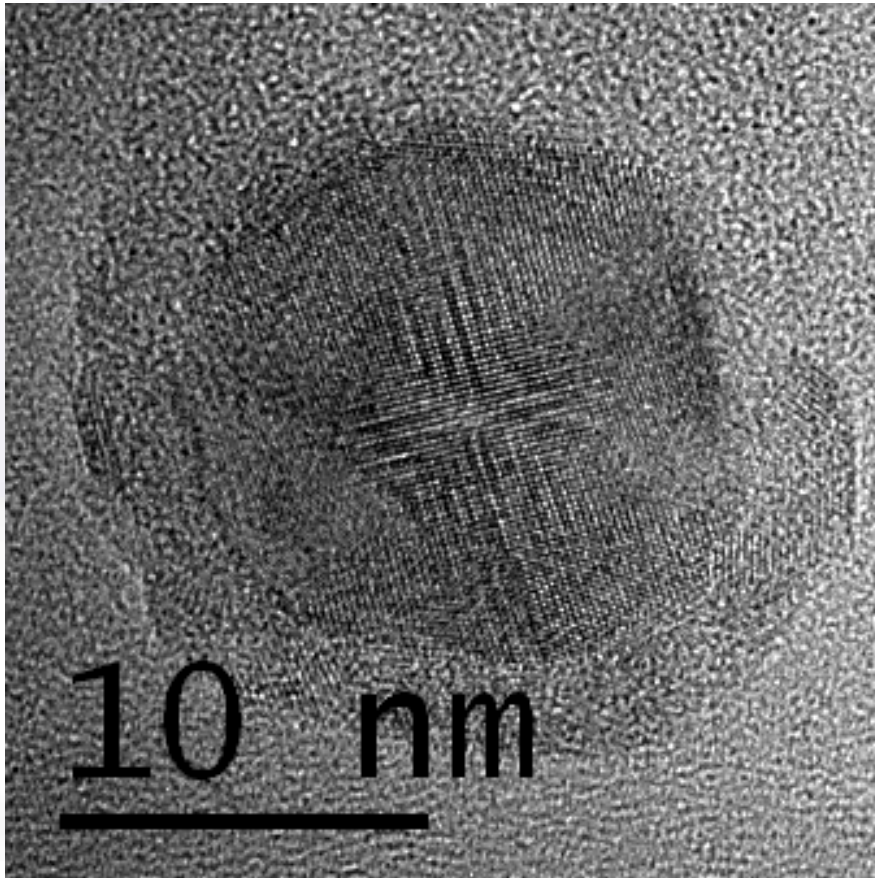
Simulated **icosahedral Ni nanoparticle** on amorphous Carbon substrate

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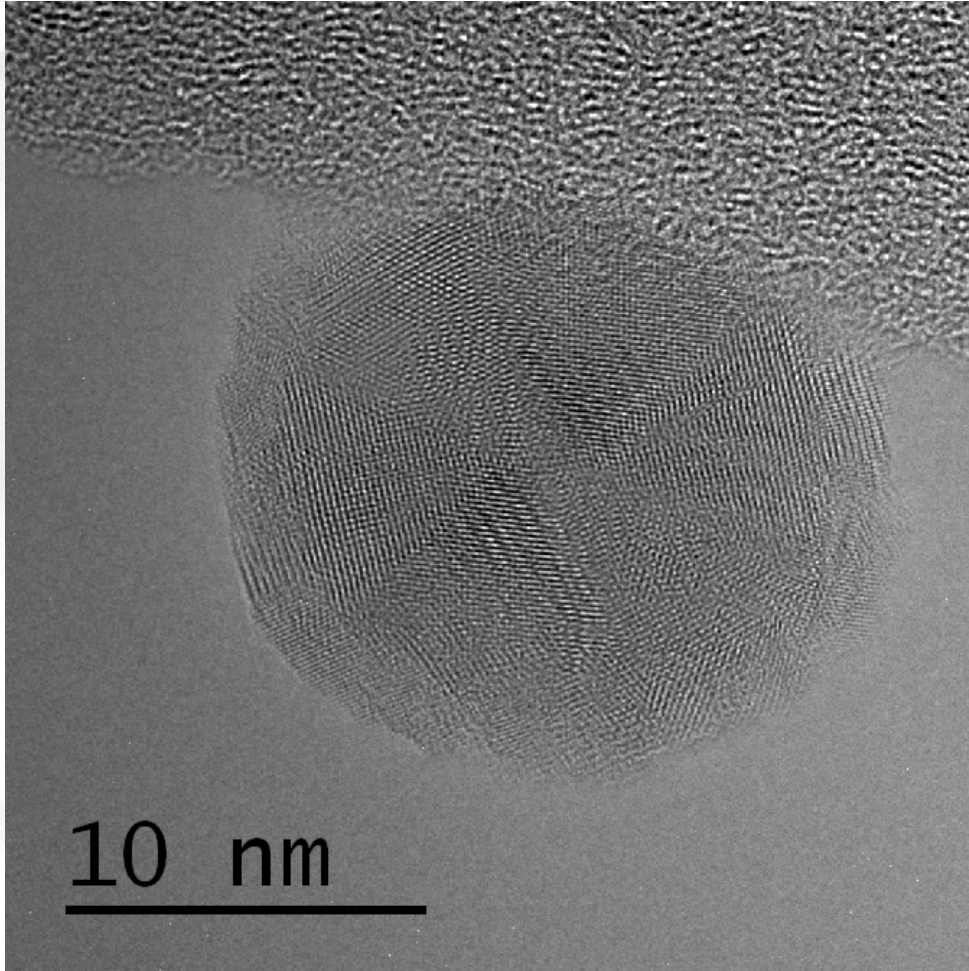
**STEHM image of Ni/NiO nanoparticle on amorphous Carbon substrate**

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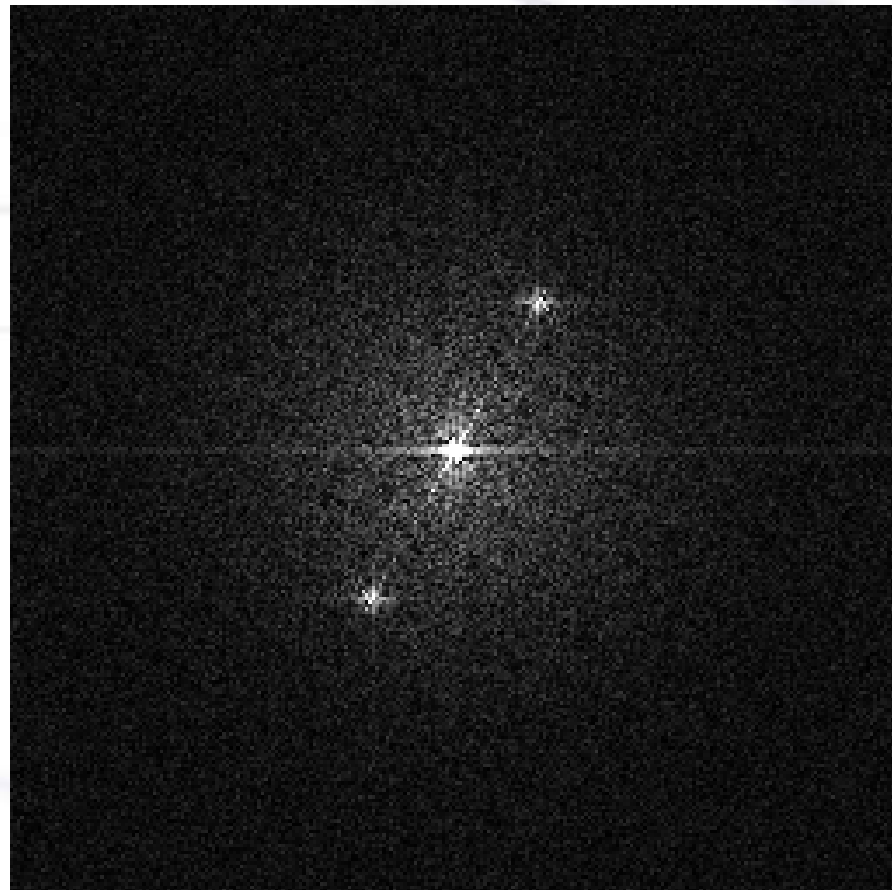
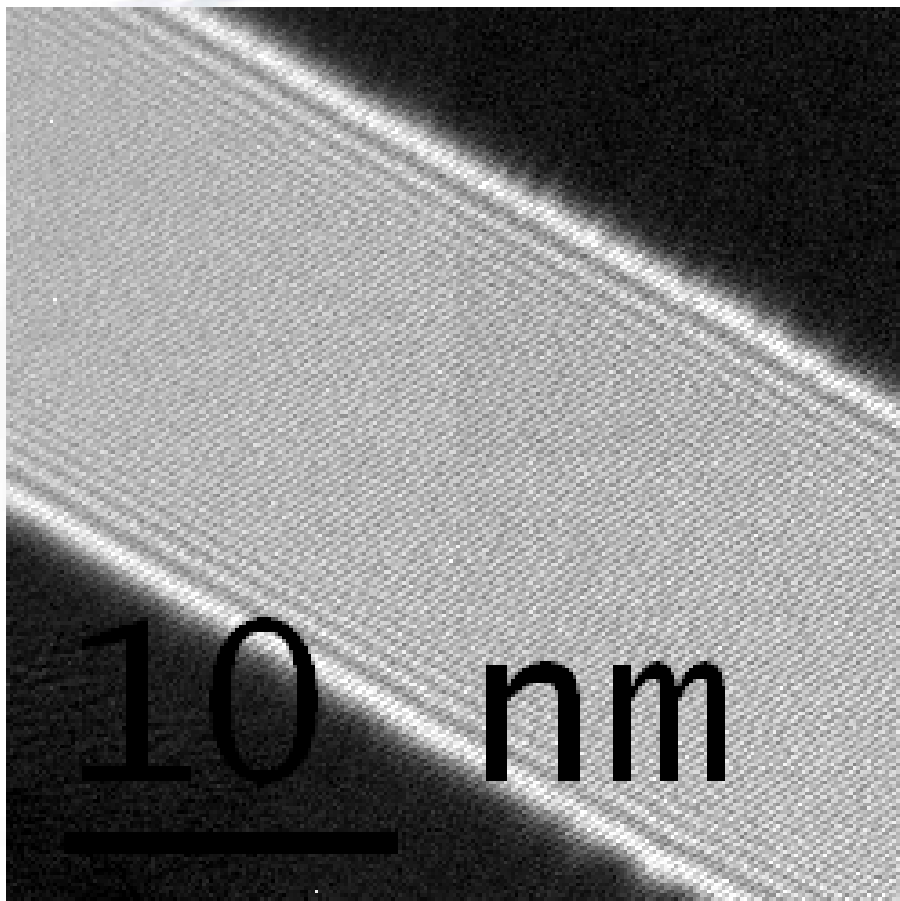
**STEHM image of Ni/NiO nanoparticle on amorphous Carbon substrate**

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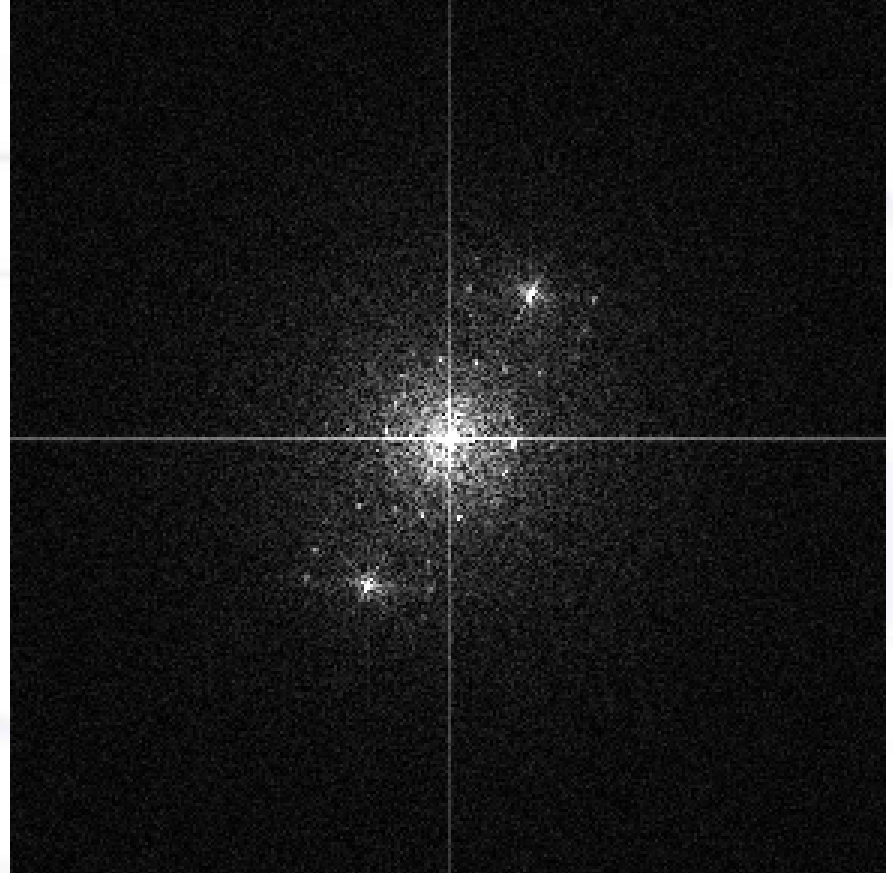
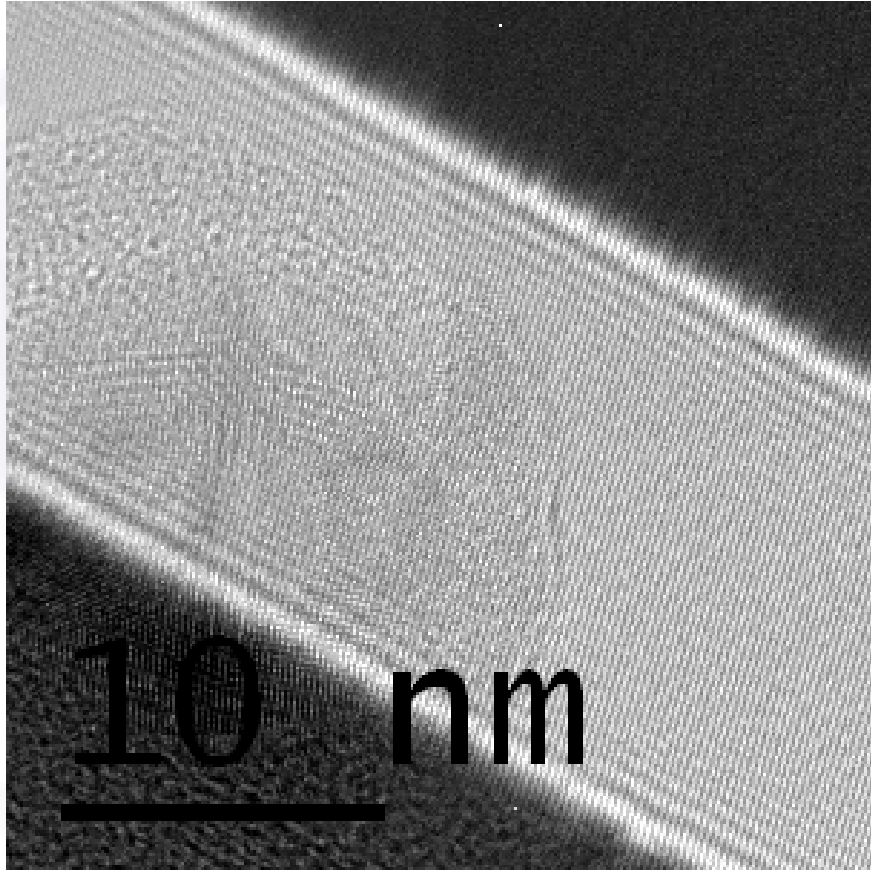


**Please use SiNitride substrate to support specimen instead of  $\alpha$ -carbon to reduce background noise.**

# Reference (Empty) Hologram

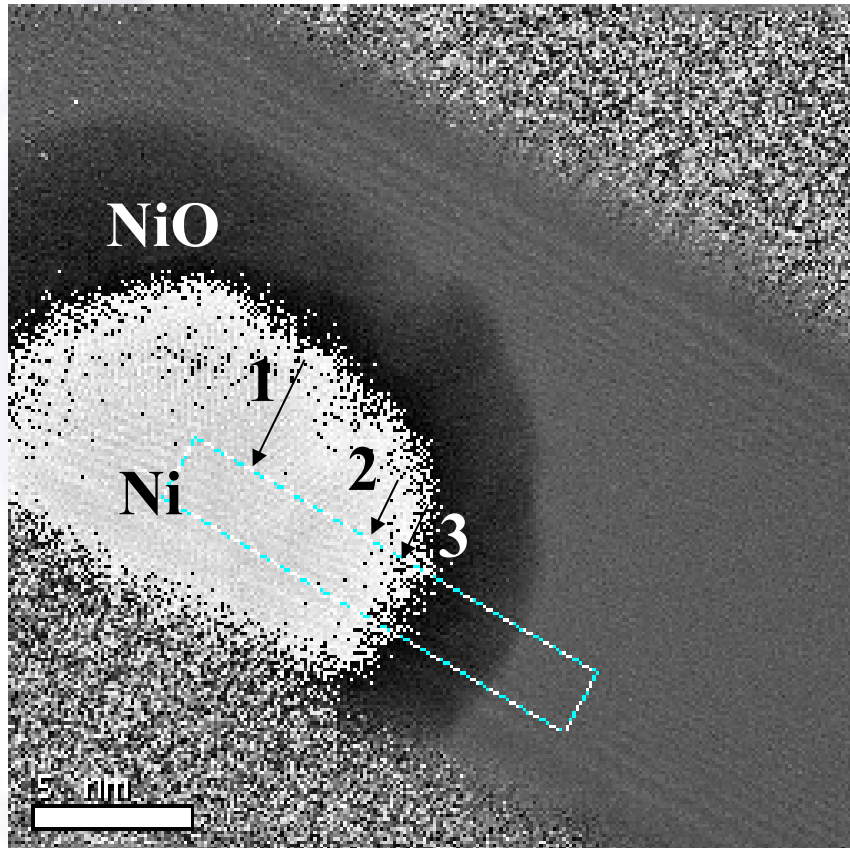


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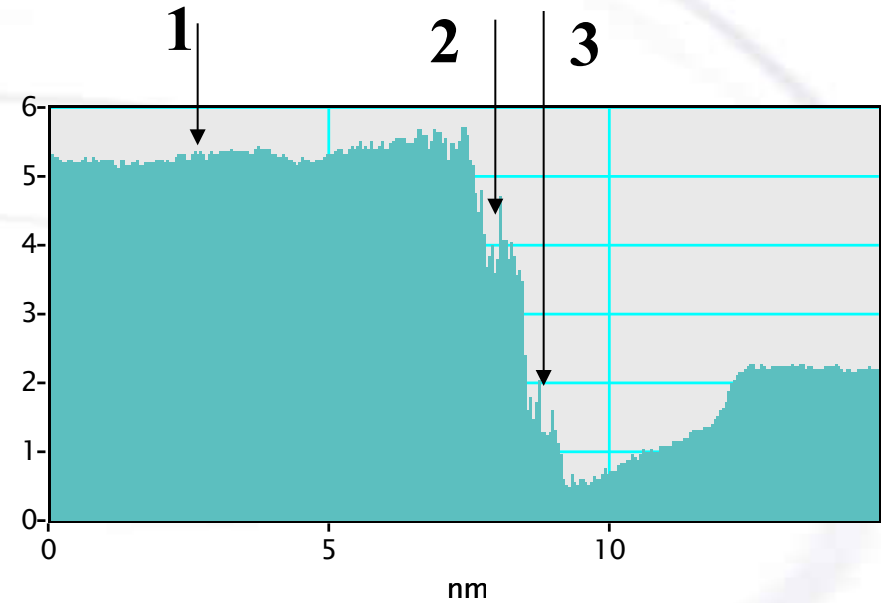




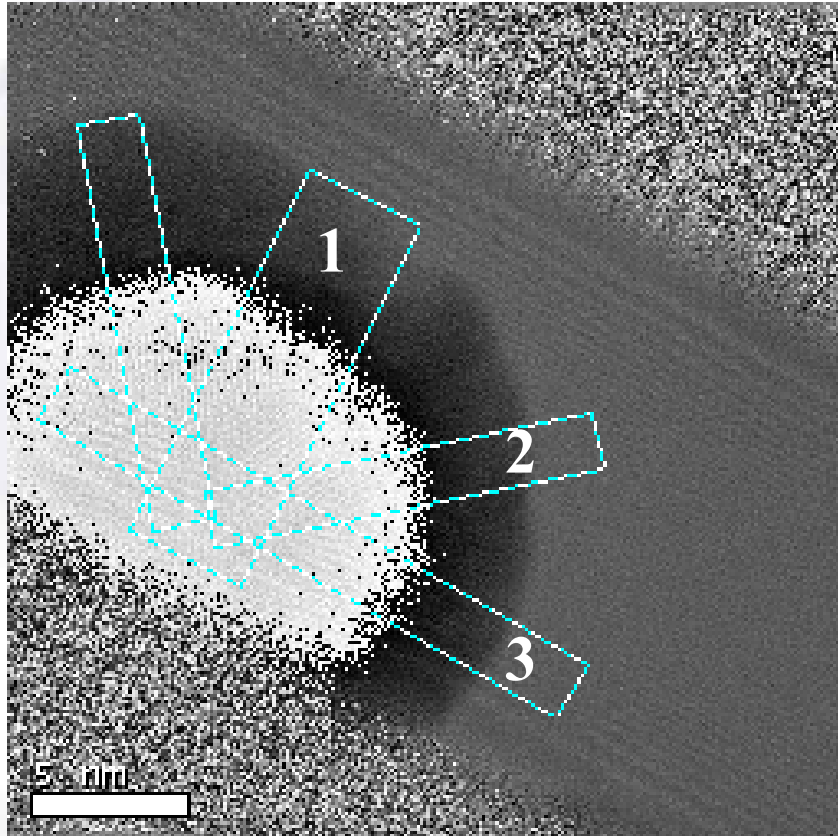
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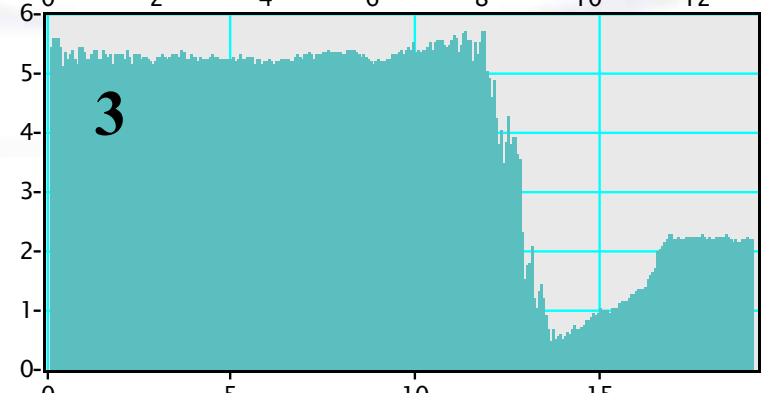
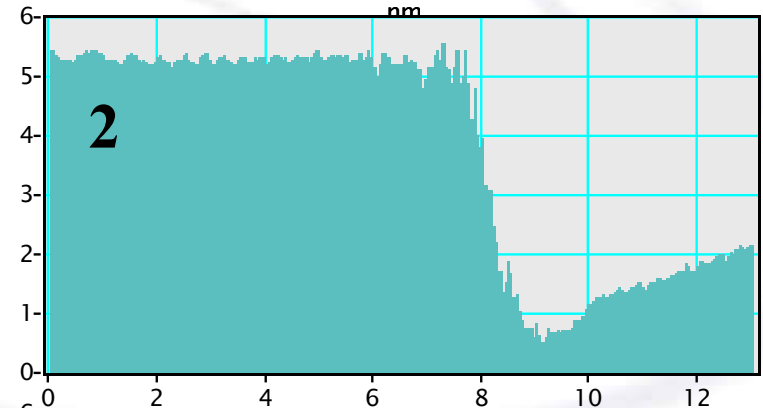
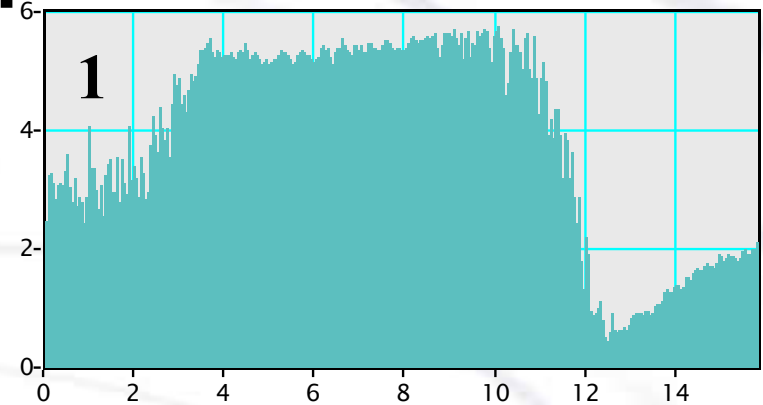
Atomic steps  
at interface



# STEHM's Hologram Images of Core Shell Ni/NiO Nanoparticles



Ni nanoparticle's morphology appears to have changed due to NiO shell.



# Filtered Electron Holography

## 1) Spatially

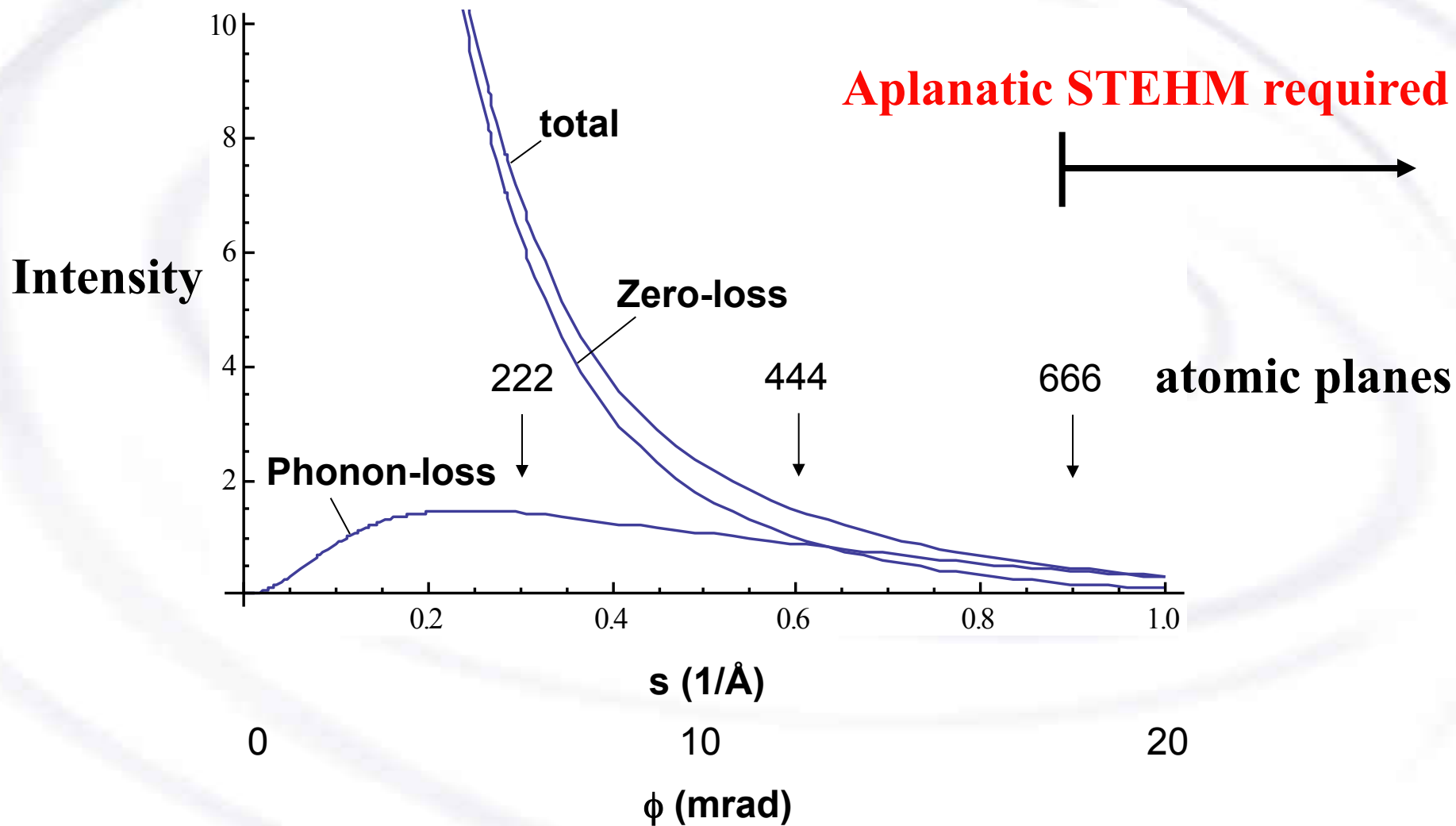
- on diffraction plane

## 2) Energy-loss

- using energy window
- separate energy loss peak-of-interest from zero-loss peak and other peaks using GIF.

# Spatial Filtering on Diffraction Plane

## Zero-loss & Phonon-loss Intensities for GaAs

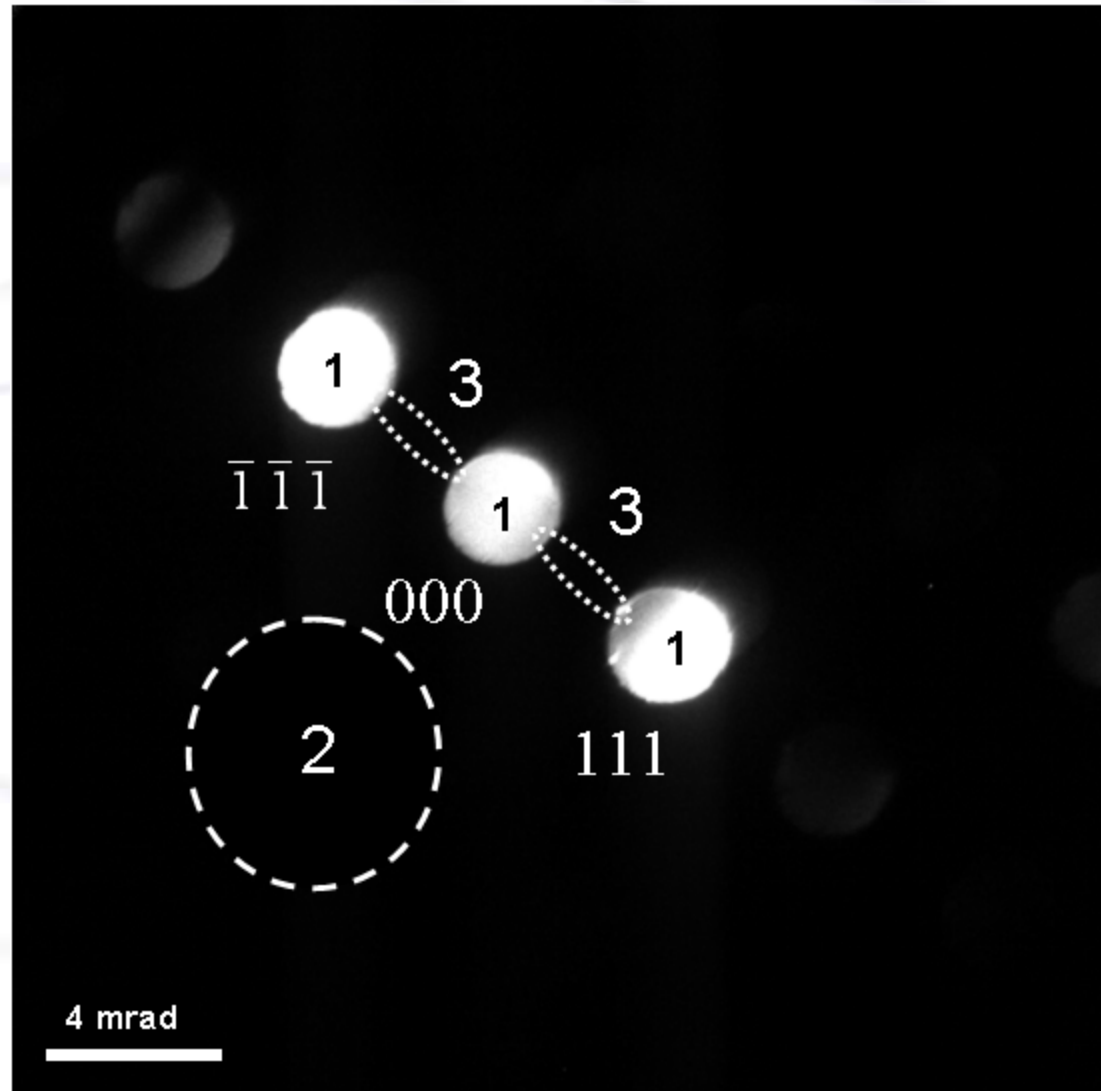


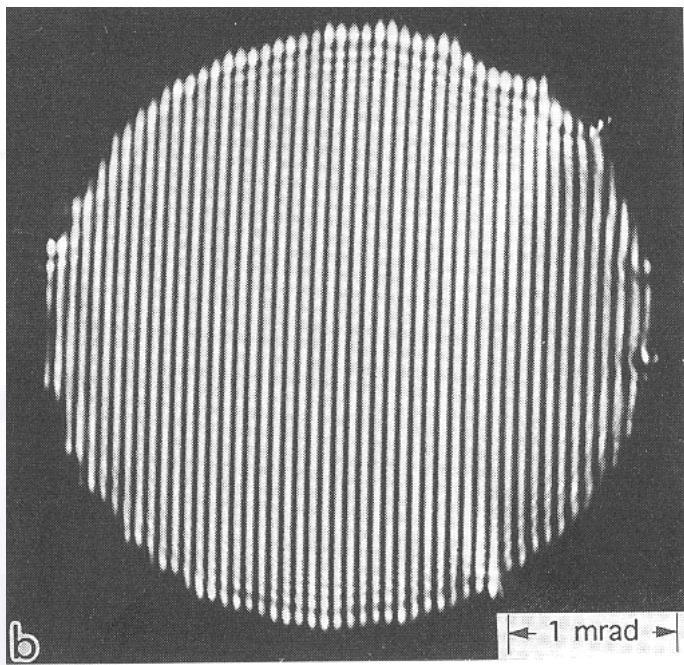
# Interfered Regions in Diffraction (k-) Space

**1 – elastically scattered,  
Bragg diffracted beams**

**2 – inelastically scattered,  
phonon loss electrons  
from nuclear core (Z –  
contrast imaging)**

**3 – inelastically scattered,  
phonon loss electrons  
from thermal vibration of  
atoms**

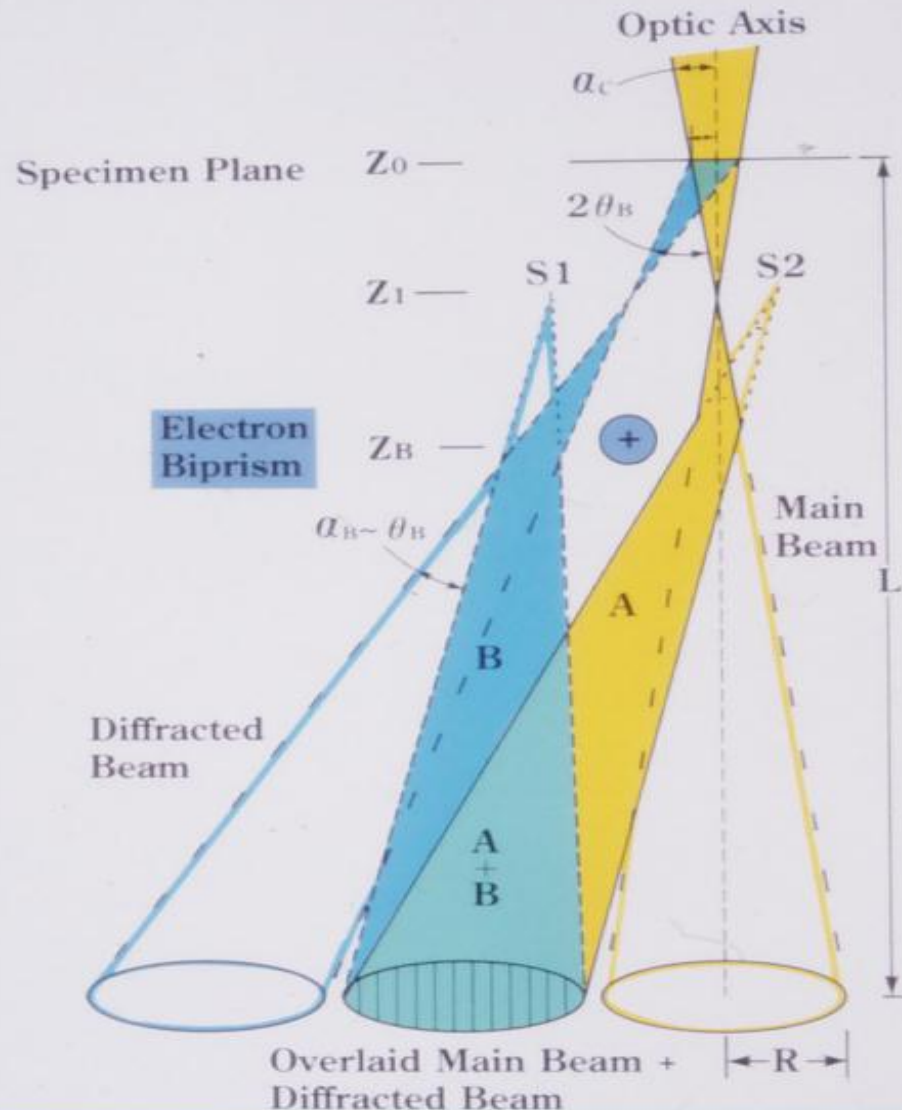




## Diffracted Beam Interferometry/ Holography (DBI/H)

Hologram of the main beam (000)  
interfering with the 111 diffracted  
beam of GaAs.

Invented during **Tomomura Electron  
Wavefront Project.**

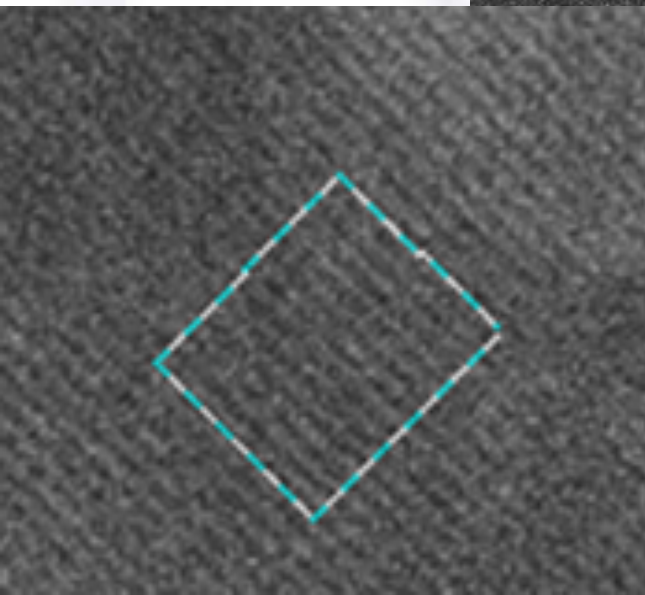
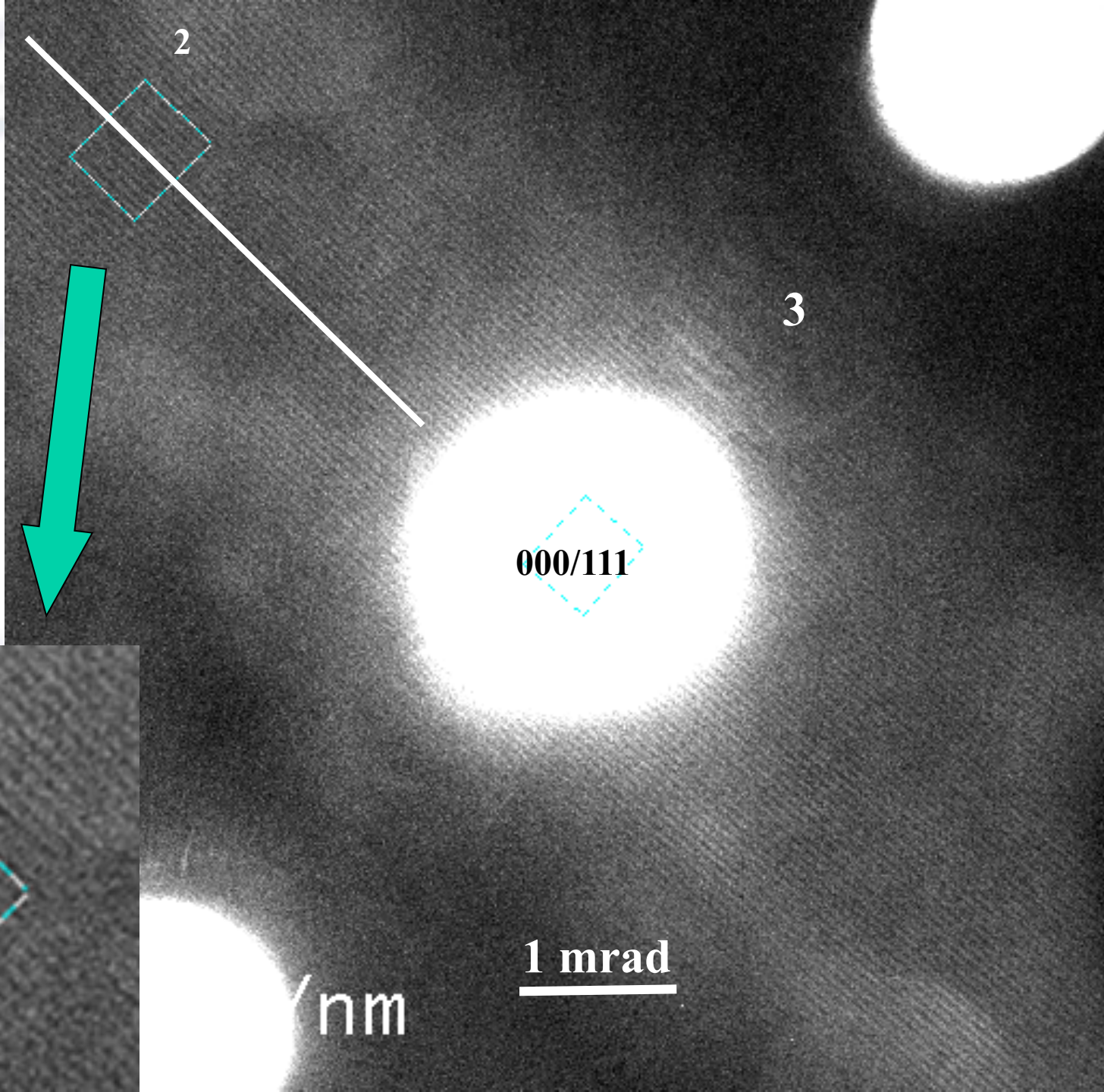


# Interference Of Convergent Electron Beams By Use Of An Electron Biprism

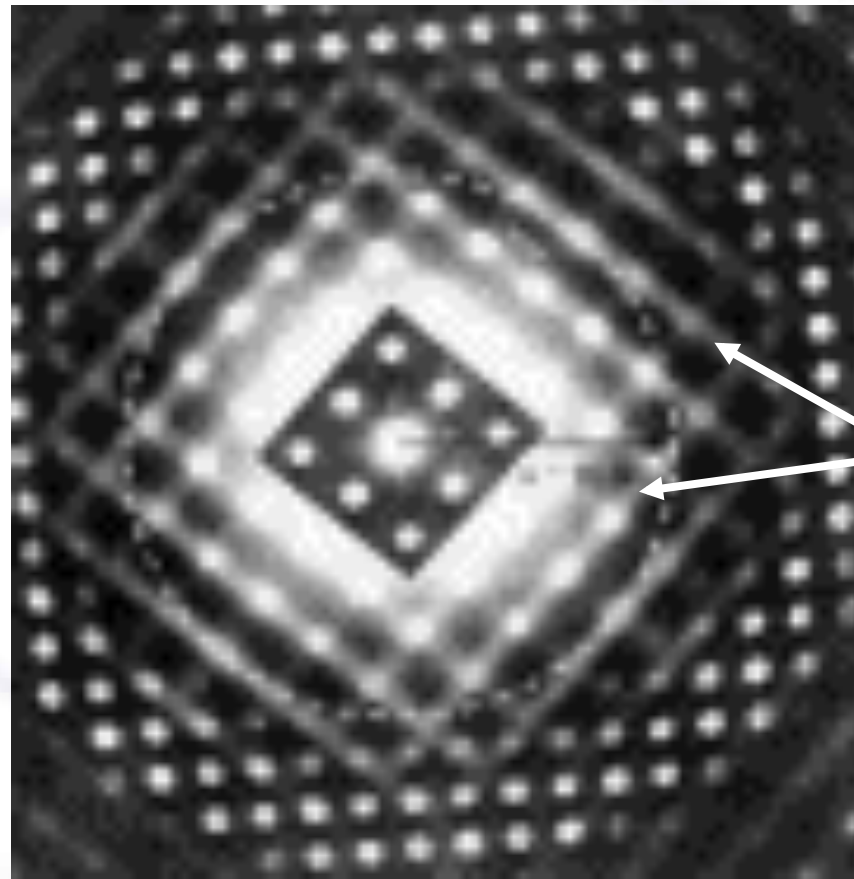
R. A. Herring, G. Pozzi, T. Tanji and A. Tomomura,  
"Interferometry using convergent beam electron  
diffracted beams plus an electron biprism"  
Ultramicroscopy 60 (1995) 153 - 168.

# Example

**Spatial-filtering**  
of phonon-loss +  
zero loss electrons  
generated from a  
Germanium  
specimen.



# Thermal Diffuse Scattering of Electrons (low-angle diffusely scattered electrons)



**TDS Intensity  
due to thermal  
vibration of  
atoms.**

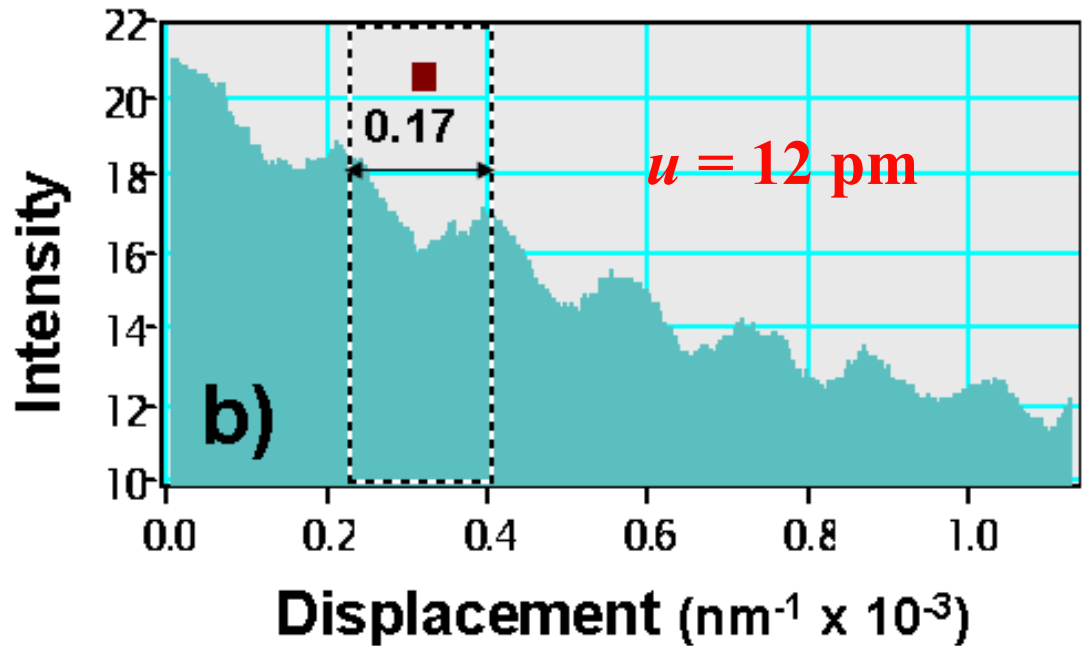
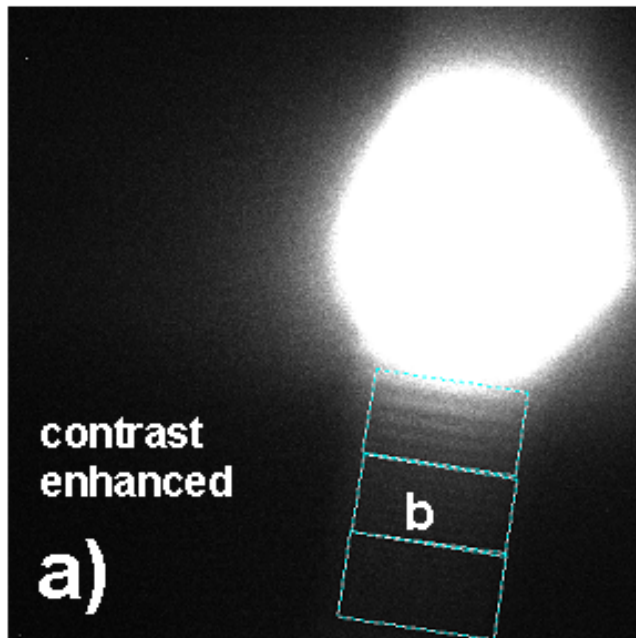
**Electron diffraction pattern recorded from GaAs, showing the presence of diffuse scattering streaks between the Bragg reflections due to thermal vibration of the atoms in the crystals.**

**Z.L. Wang, Micron 34 (2003) 141.**



# Measurement of Mean Atomic Vibration Amplitude, $u$

$$k(r_1 - r_2) = -16\pi^2 u^2 \sin^2 \theta_B / \lambda^2$$



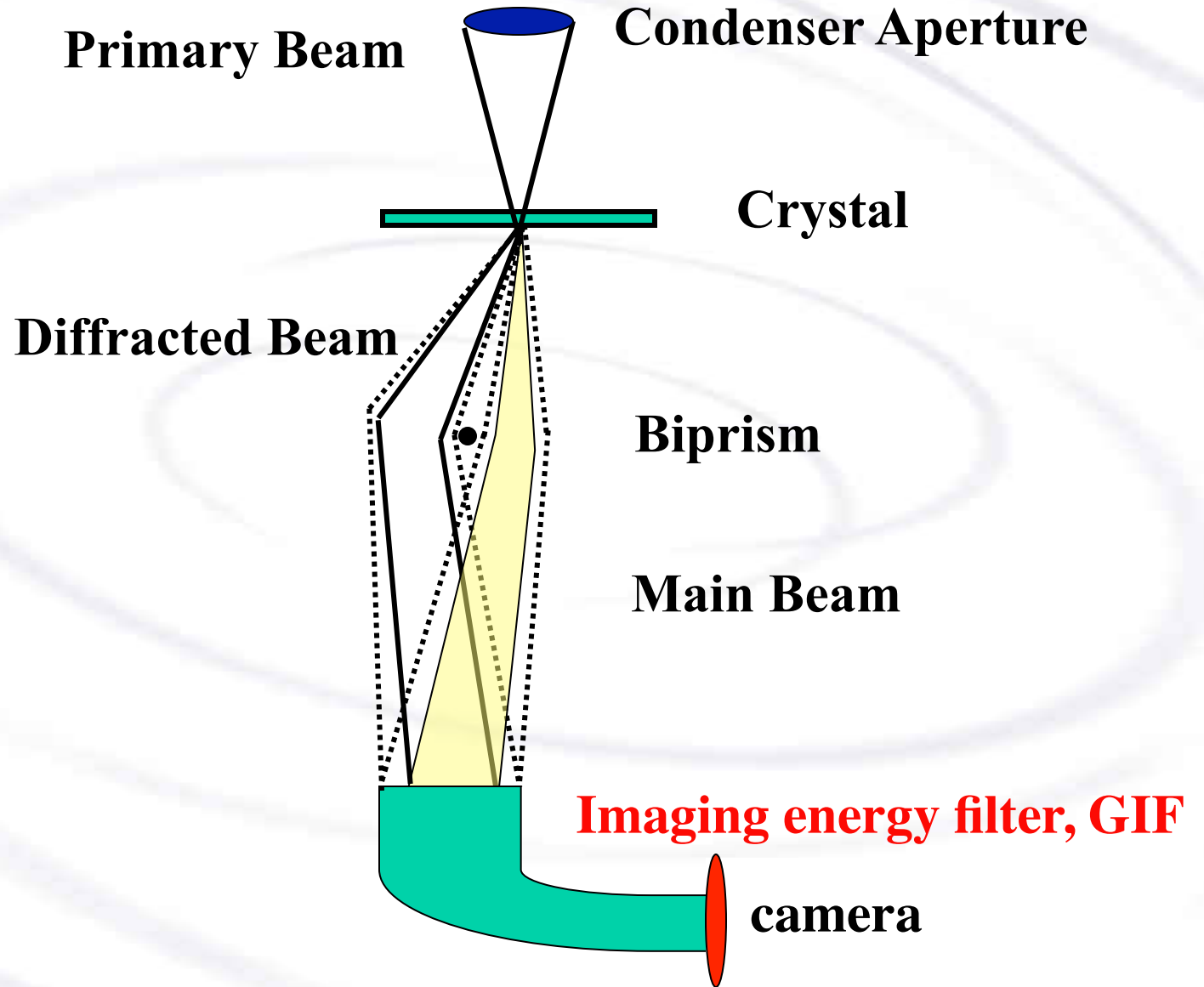
a) Interference of the 000 and 222 beams of Aluminum resulting in the formation of fringes in the intensity of region b shown in b) used to measure the **mean displacement of atoms,  $u$ , of 12 pm - a first time measurement.**

# Mean Atomic Vibration Amplitude, $u$

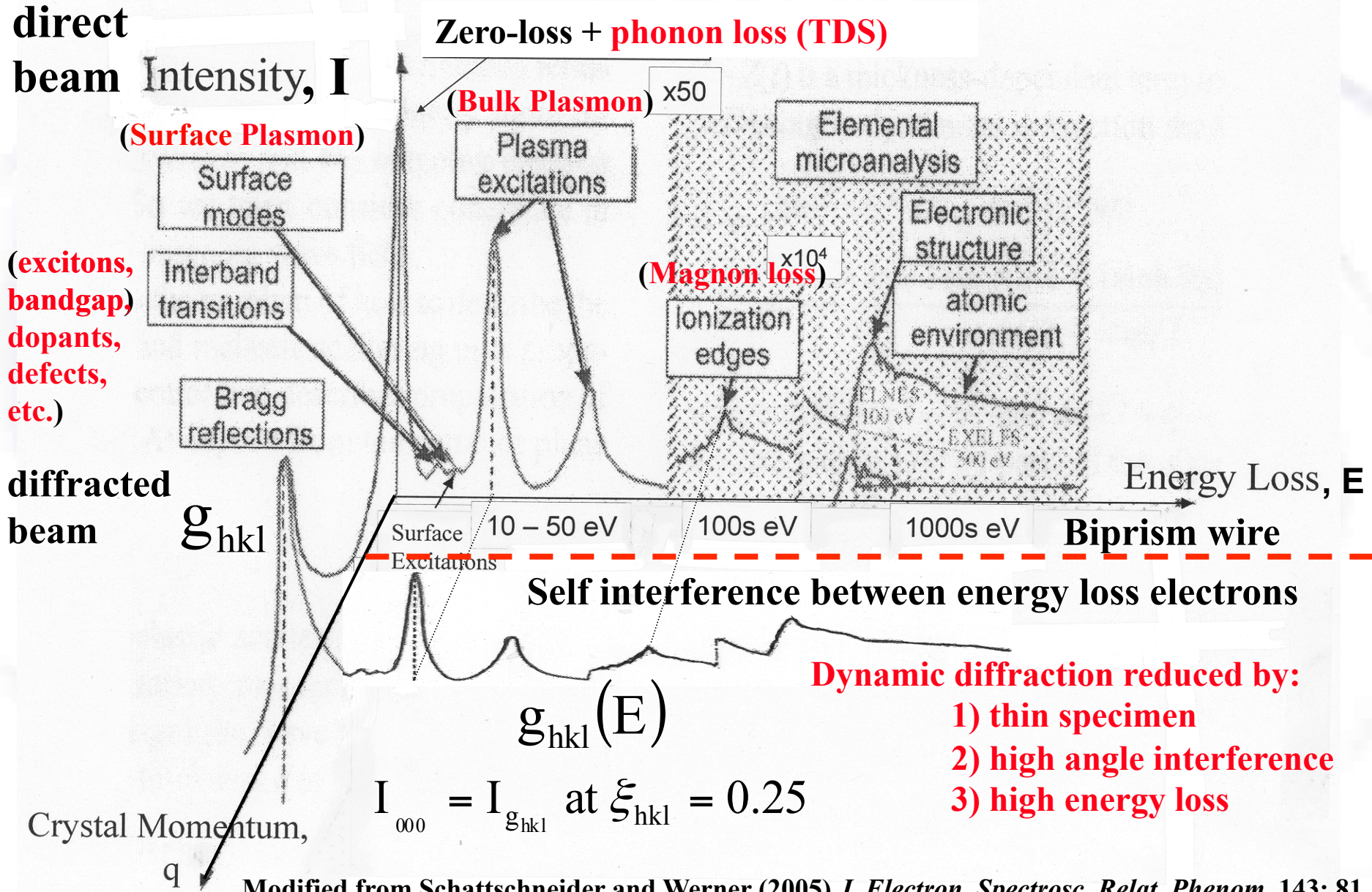
**Can be used to:**

- **determine energy of molecular dynamic reactions**
- **measurement of time using frequency of atomic vibrations**

# Energy-Filtered DBI/H

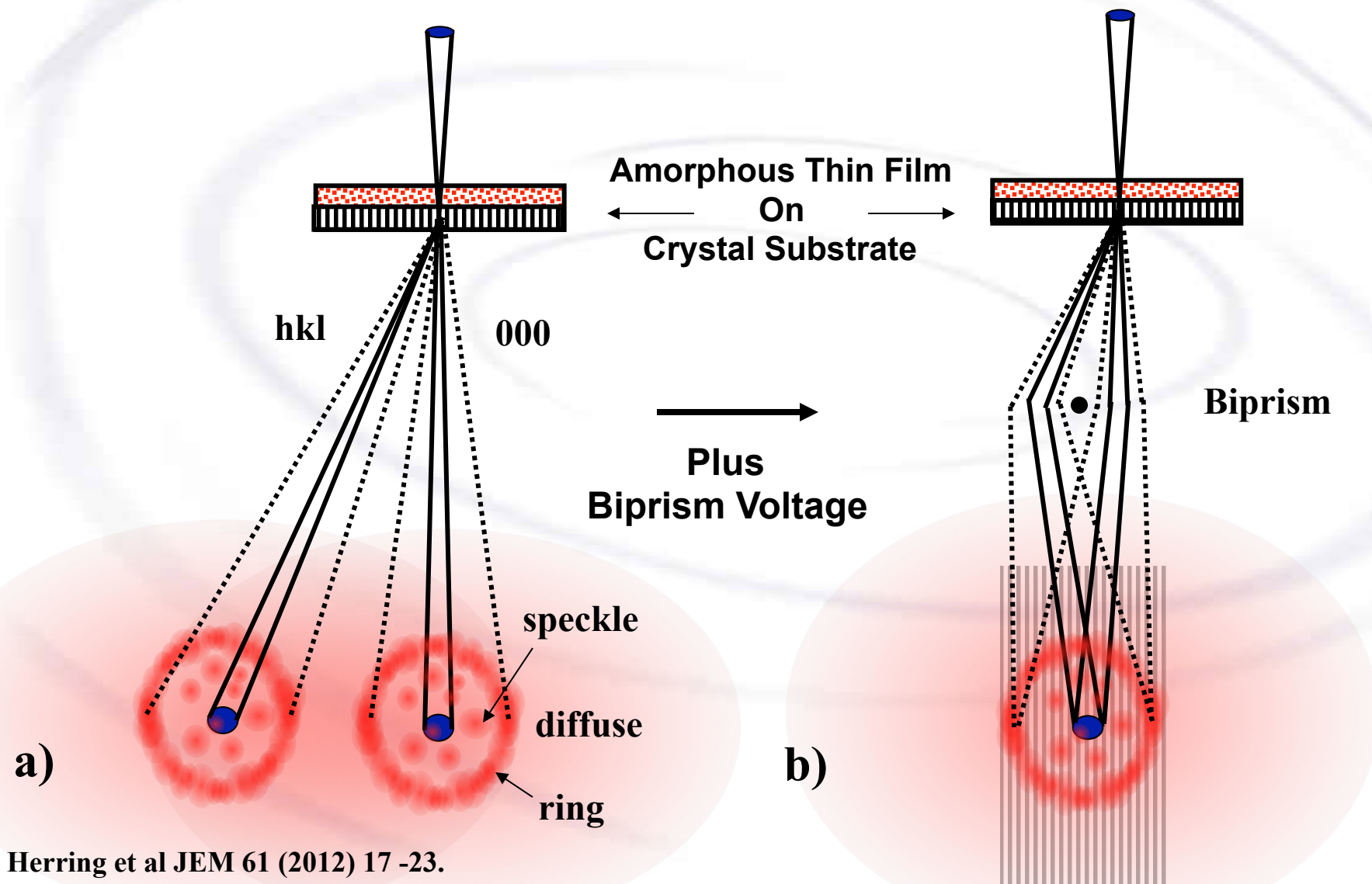


# Self-Interference of Elastically & Inelastically Scattered Electrons

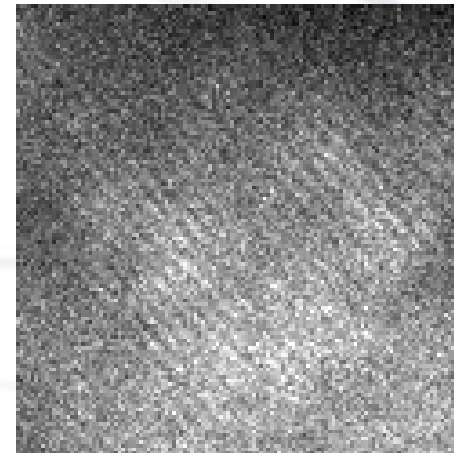
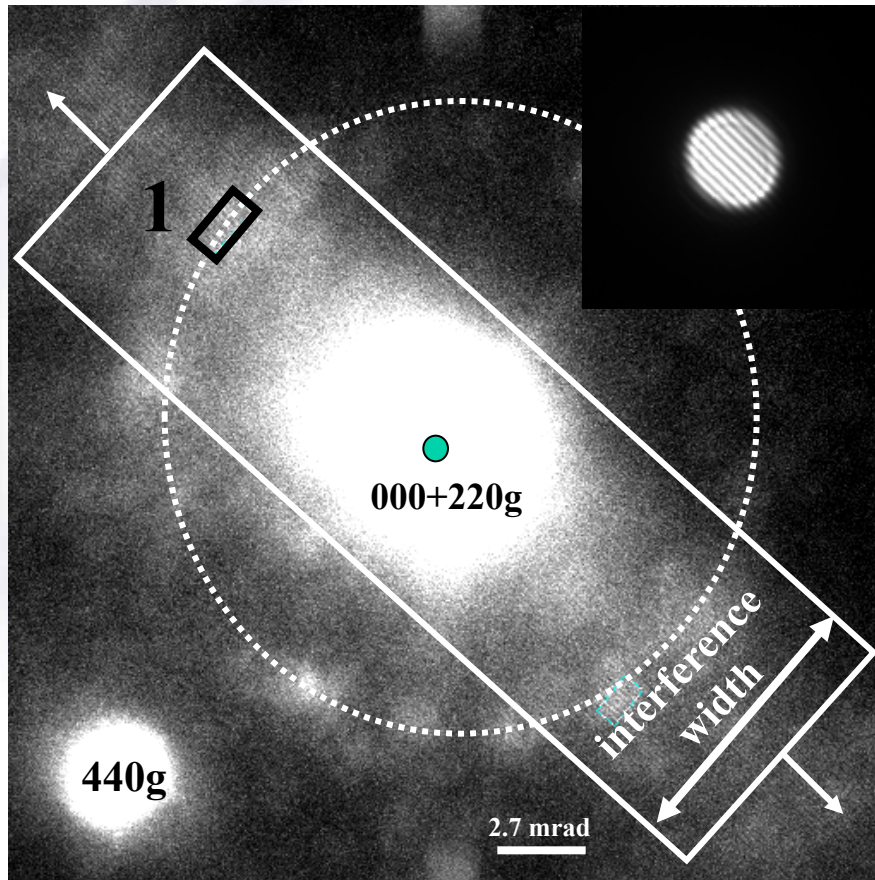


# Self-Interference of Amorphous Surface Layer Intensity

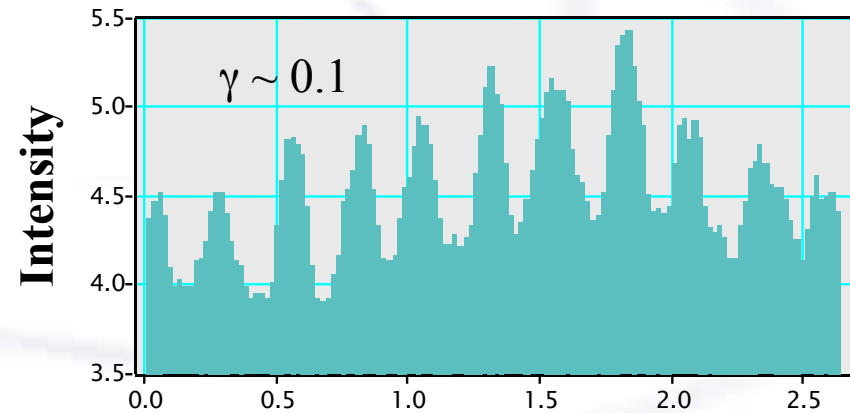
$$\phi = \beta_{g_{hkl}} + \beta_{amorph} - \beta_{g_{-h-k-l}} + \beta_{amorph} = 2\beta_{amorph}$$



# Phase Measurement of Amorphous GaAs Material



**Fringes at 1**



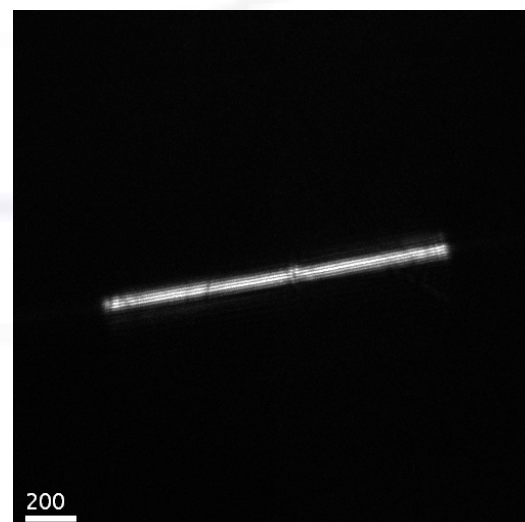
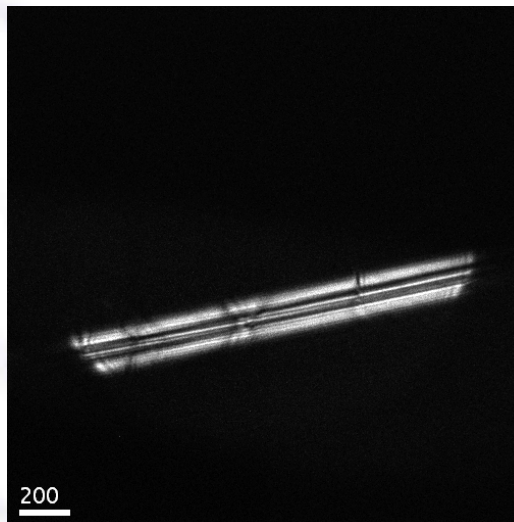
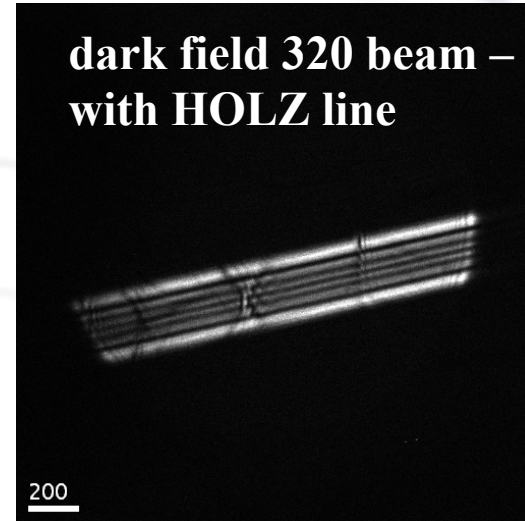
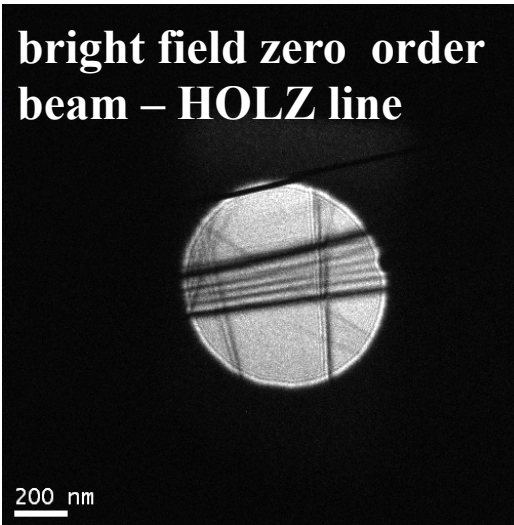
**Fringe Spacing ((arbitrary units))**

**Fringe Contrast at 1**

$$\phi = 2\beta_{amorph}$$

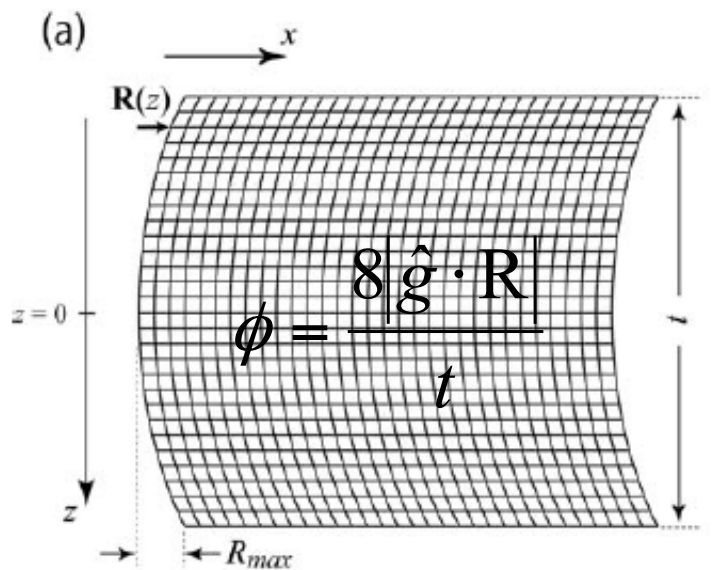
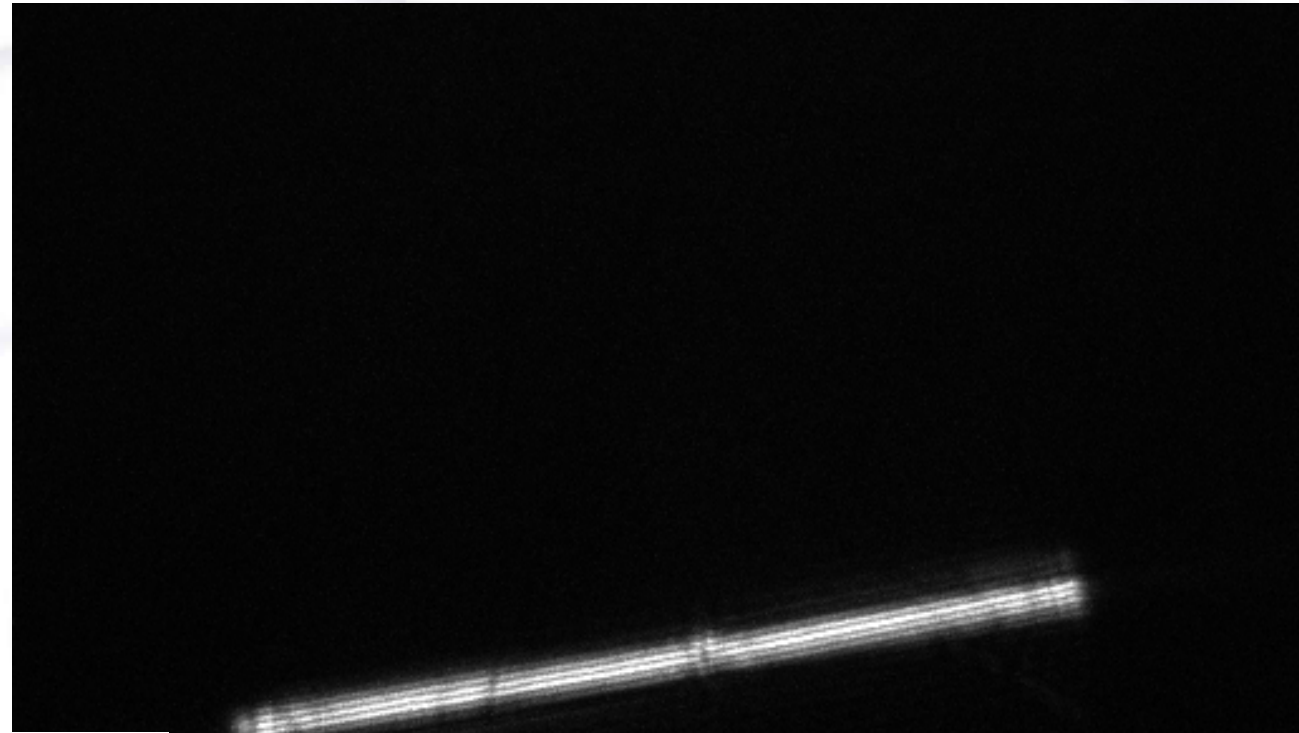
# Higher Order Laue Zone (HOLZ) Lines for Internal Strain Measurements

Super-high  
resolution  
strain  
measurements



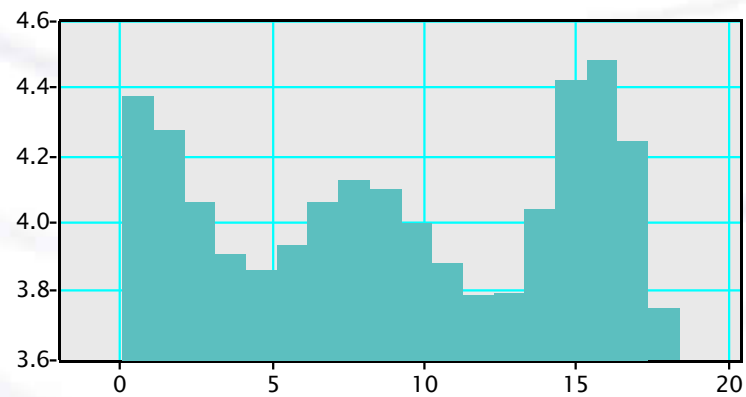
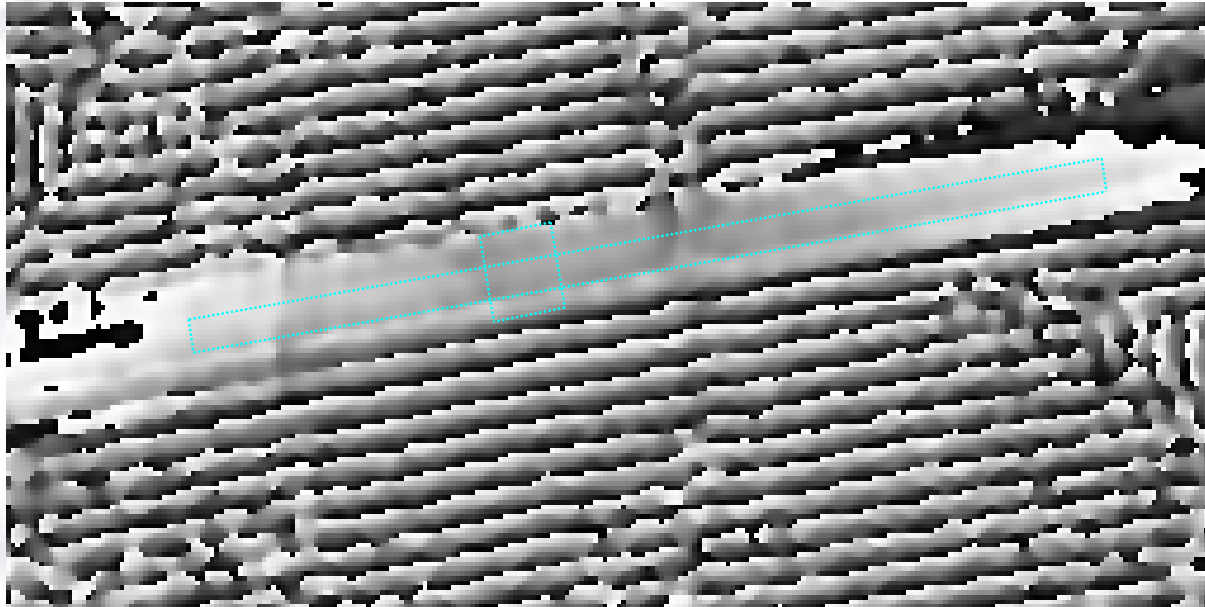
Herring et al Microsc  
& Microanalysis  
(Nashville, 2011)

Combined with  
confocal electron  
holography for **3D**  
**measurements** of  
strain



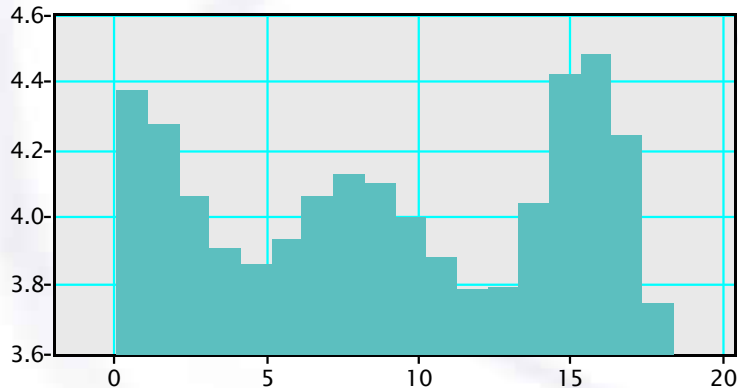


# HOLZ Line Phase Measurement

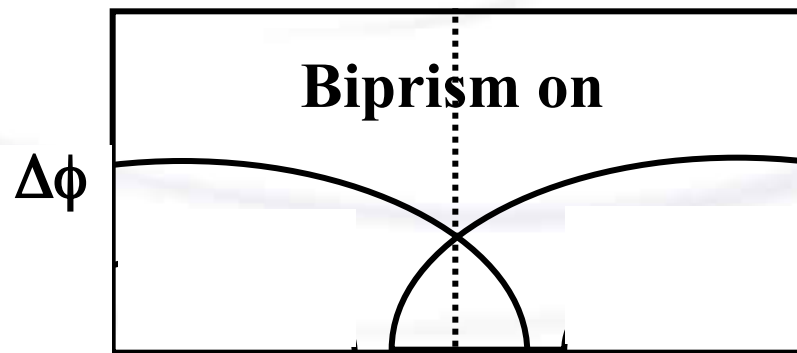
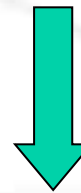
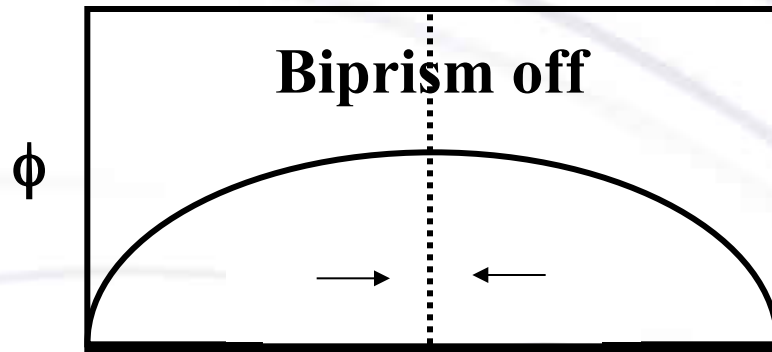


# HOLZ Line Phase Measurements

Enables higher-resolution measurement of strain

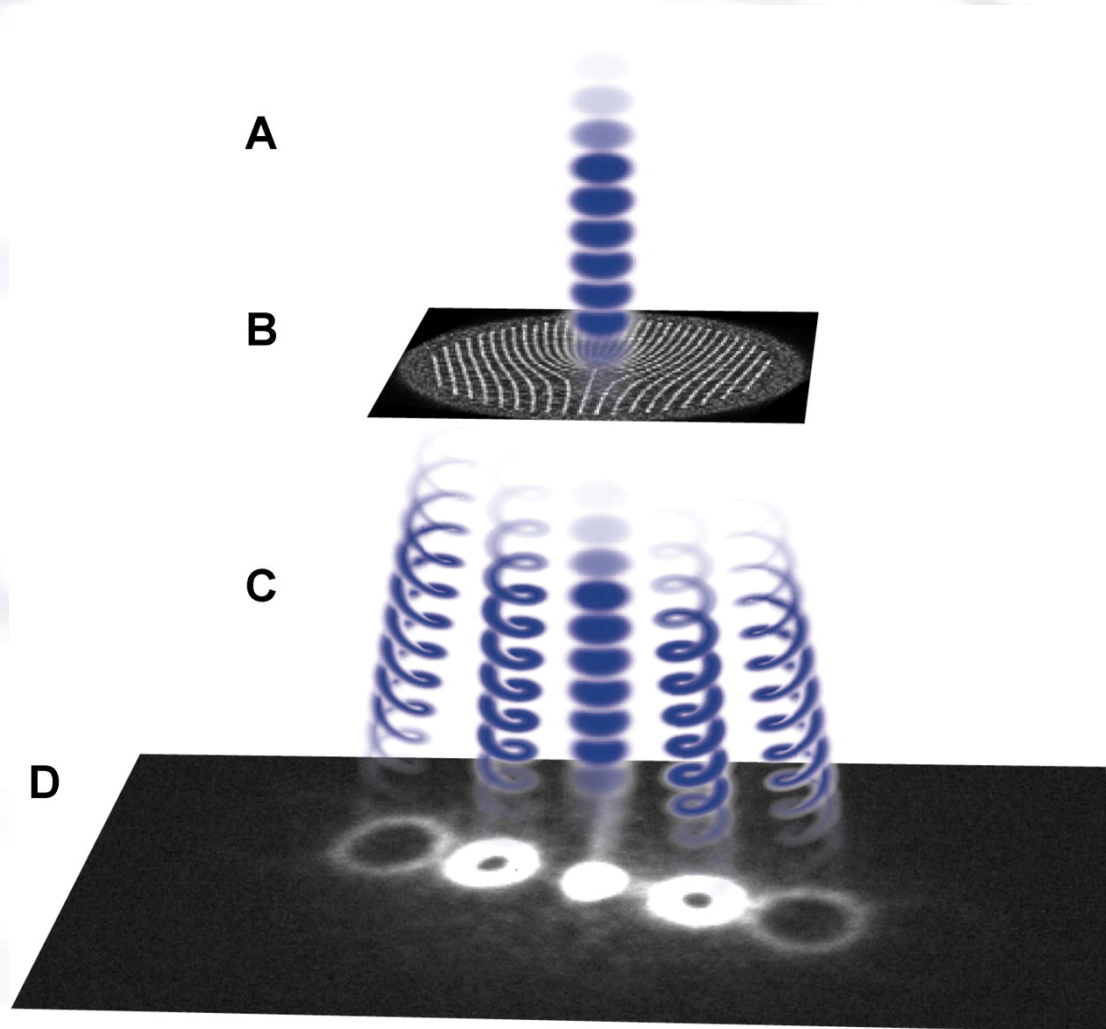


$$\phi = \frac{8|\hat{g} \cdot \mathbf{R}|}{t}$$



Herring, Saitoh, Tanji, Tanaka, unpublished.

# Formation of Electron Vortice Beams



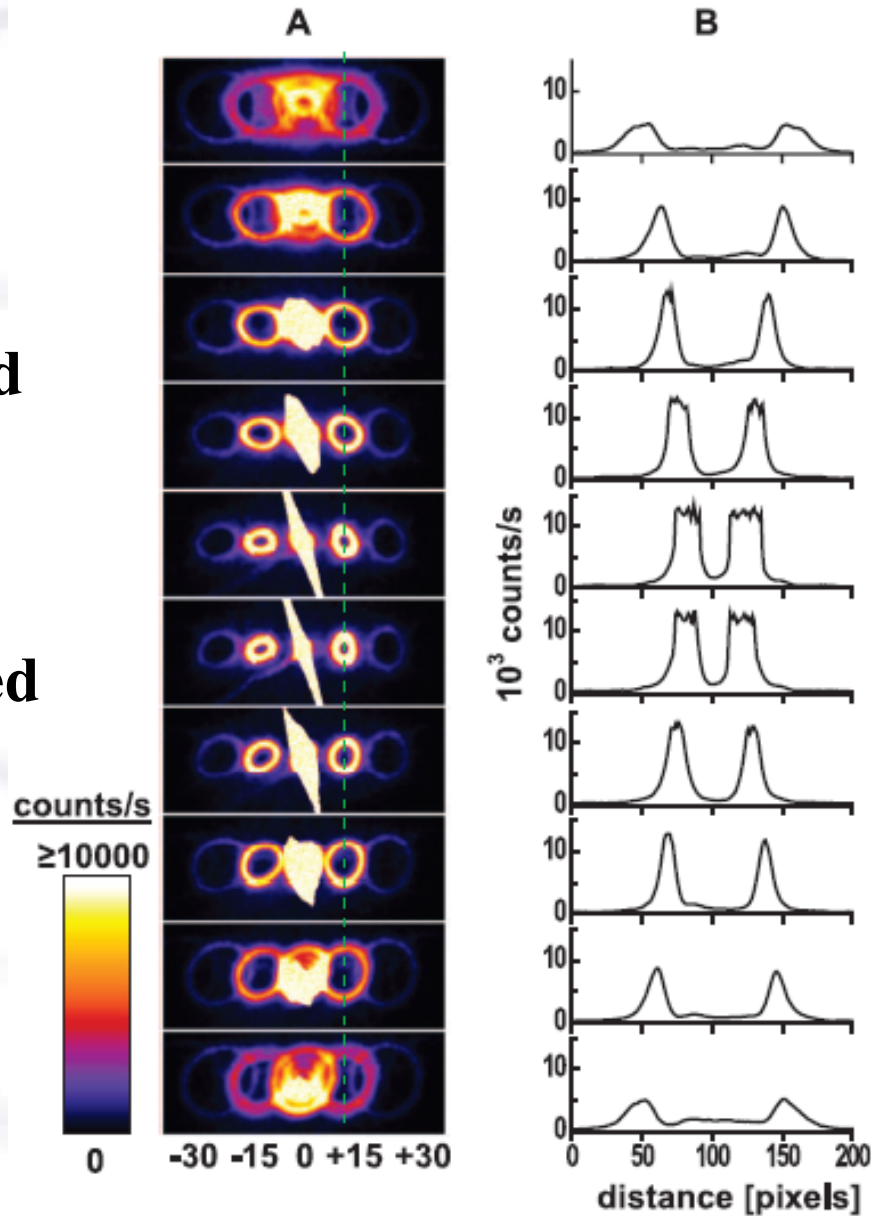
B J McMorran et al. Science 2011;331:192-195

# Large Orbital Angular Momentum

Over-focused

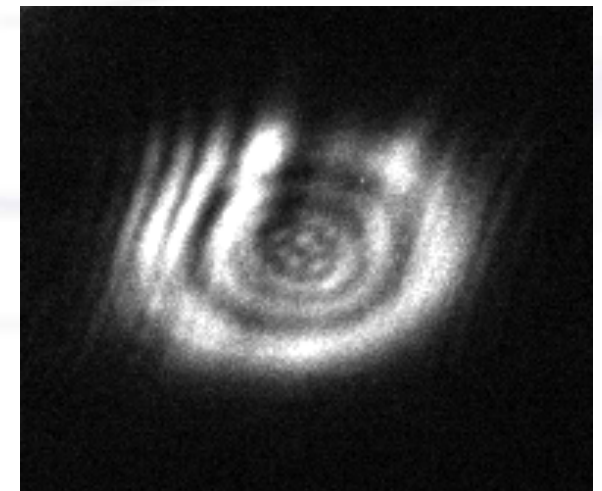
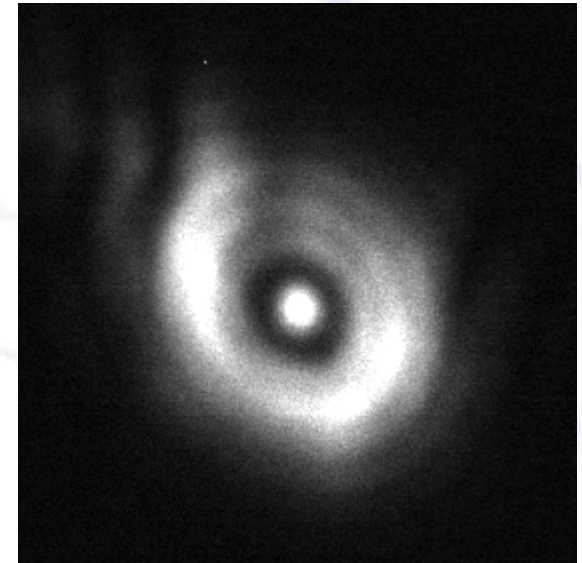
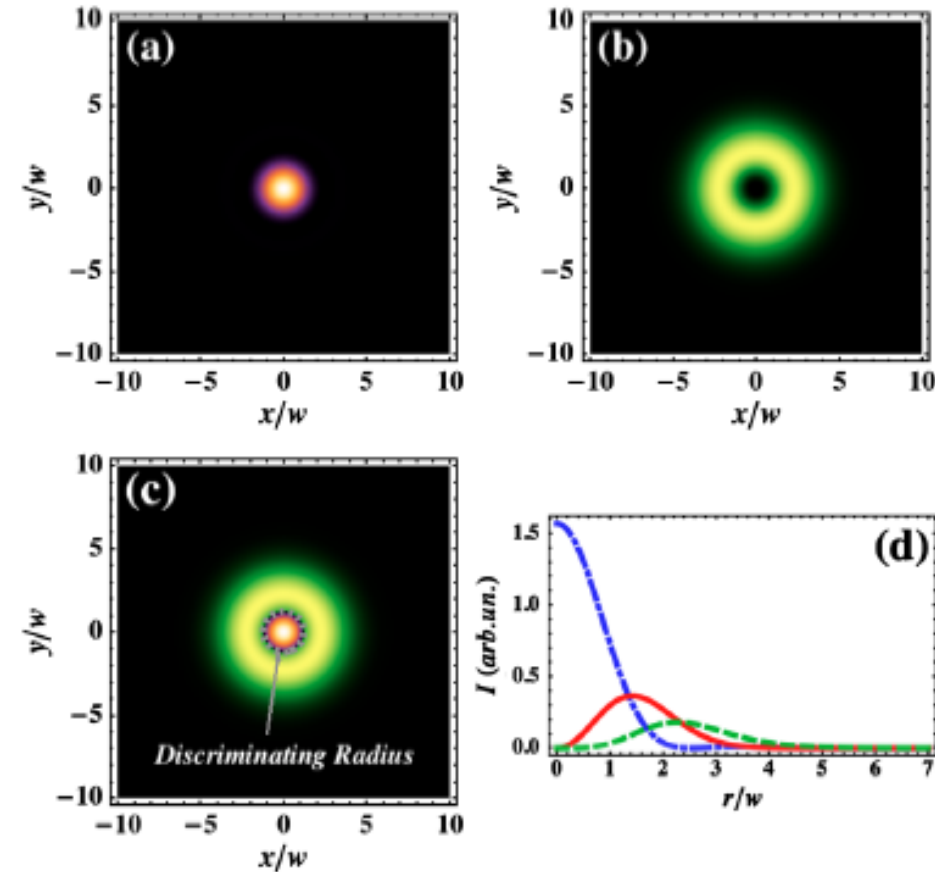
to

Under-focused



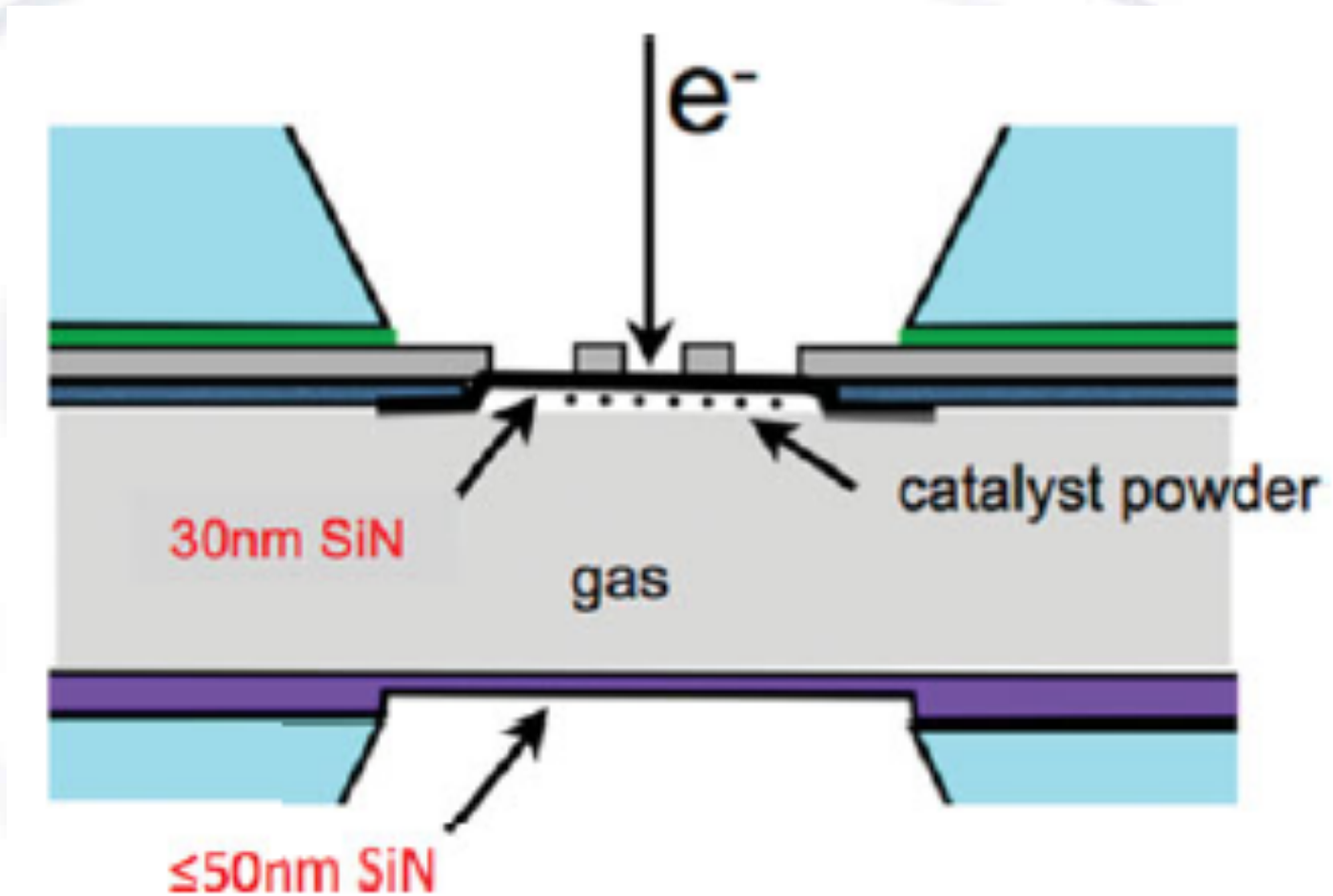
# Spin Polarized Electron Beams

STEHM's EVB + ExB images



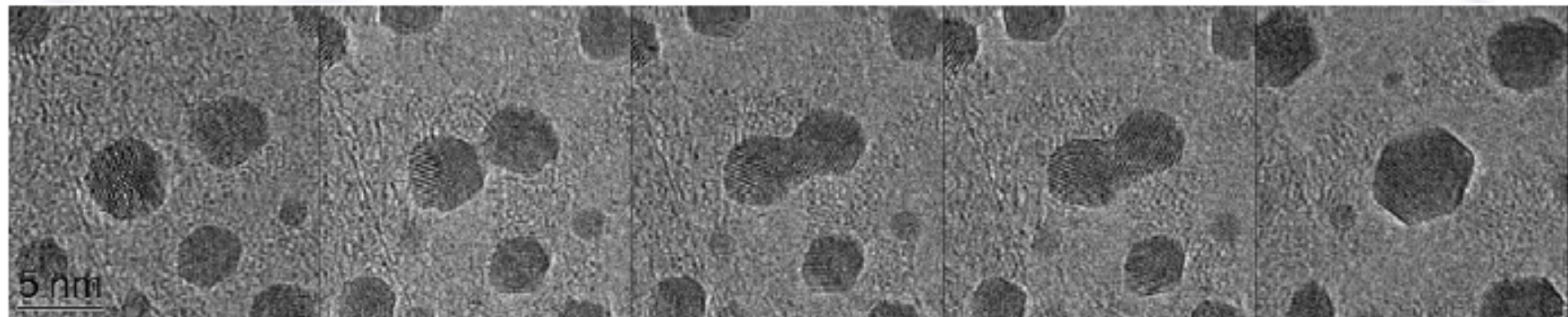
Far-field ExB-filtered beam profiles for a)  $l=0$ , b)  $l=2$ , c) together showing discriminating radius and d) intensity profiles.

Grillo et al, PRL 108 (2012) 044801.



**Specimens can be solids, liquids and gases.**

# Catalysts Interactions



# Summary

## The STEHM

- One awesome electron microscope
- Enabling awesome science



# **STEHM Team**

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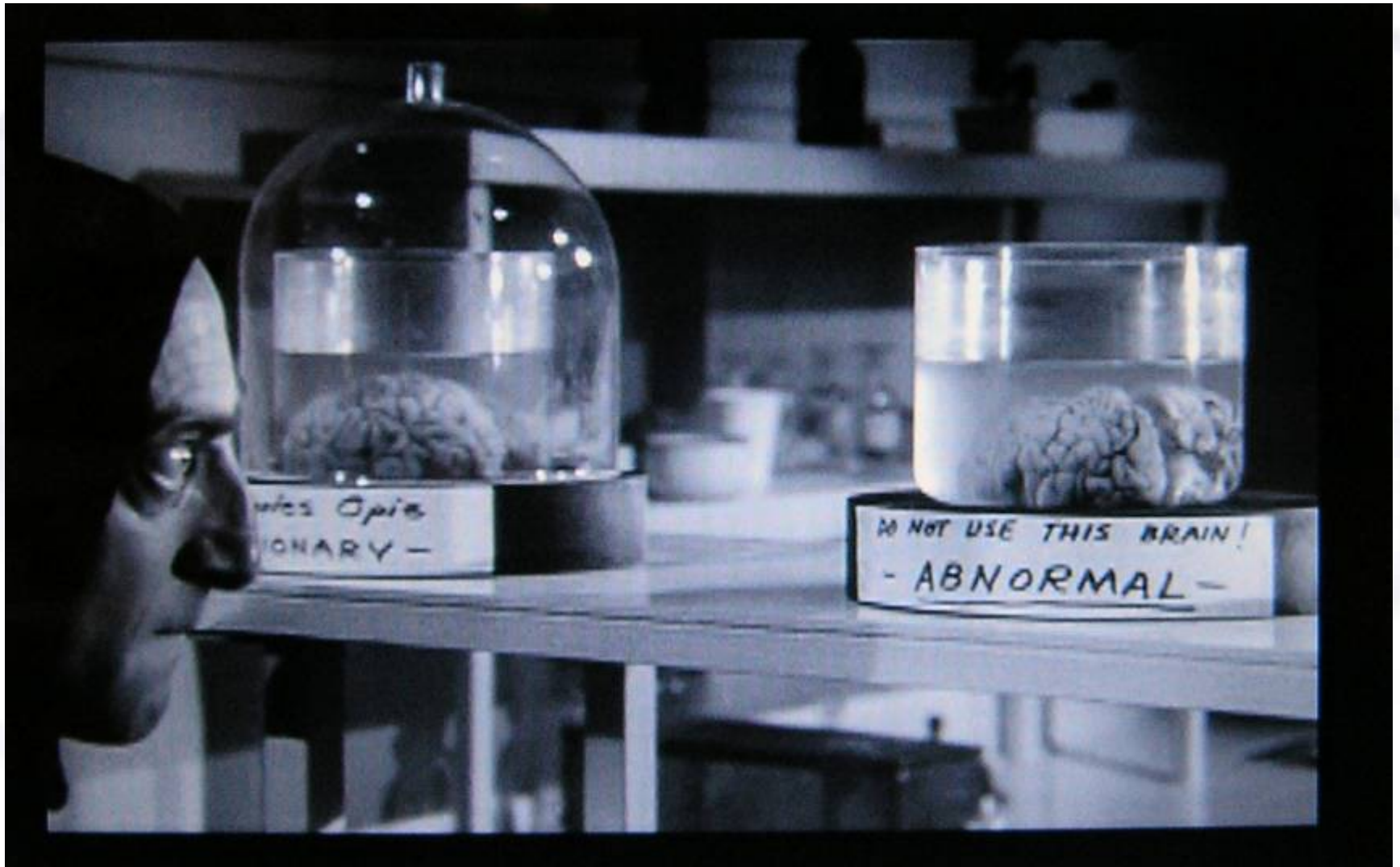
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# In Conclusion



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**Don't use the ABNORMAL infrastructure**

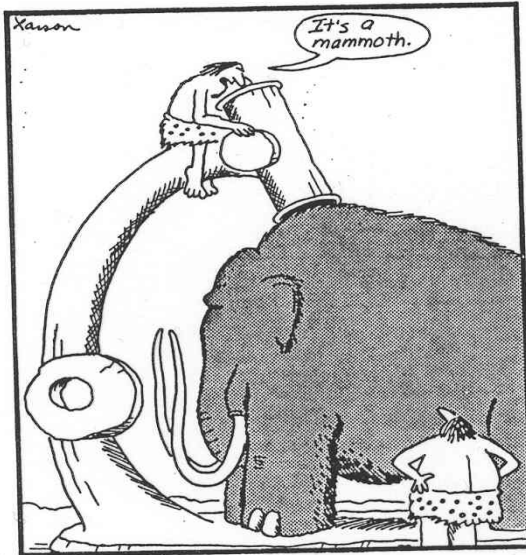
**Use the STEHM infrastructure for what its worth!**

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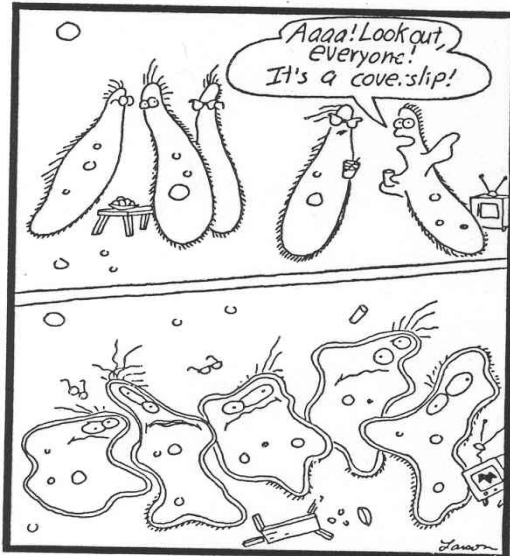
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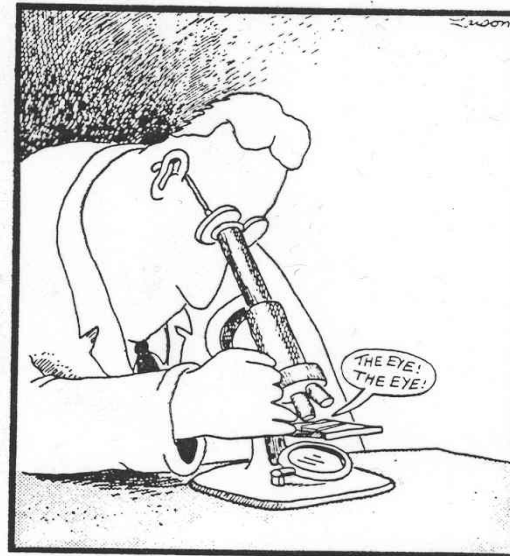
Early microscope



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Life on a microscope slide



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